



Muntakhab Ahadith

*A Selection of Ahadith Relating to the
Six Qualities of Da'wat and Tabligh*

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SINCERITY OF INTENTION

*Fulfilling the commandments of Allāh Ta‘ālā
only to please Him*

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VERSES OF QUR’ĀN

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā says:

Yes! whoever surrenders himself to Allah (i.e. follows Allah’s religion of Islam) and performs good deeds with sincerity, his reward is with his Rabb. On such shall be no fear and nor shall they grieve.

Al-Baqarah 2: 112

قال الله تعالى:

بَلَىٰ مَنْ أَسْلَمَ وَجْهَهُ لِلَّهِ وَهُوَ مُحْسِنٌ
فَلَهُ أَجْرُهُ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِ وَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ
وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ ﴿١١٢﴾ [البقرة: ١١٢]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā says:

And only spend to please Allāh.
Al-Baqarah 2: 272

وقال تعالى:

وَمَا تُنْفِقُوا إِلَّا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ اللَّهِ
[البقرة: ٢٧٢]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā says:

Whosoever desires the reward (for

وقال تعالى:

وَمَنْ يُرِدْ ثَوَابَ

his good deeds) in this world, We shall give him of it; and whosoever desires a reward in the Hereafter, We shall give him of it. And We shall shortly reward the grateful.

Āle-'Imrān 3: 145

الْآخِرَةَ نُوْتِيهِ مِنْهَا
وَسَنَجْزِي الشَّاكِرِينَ ﴿١٤٥﴾

[آل عمران: ١٤٥]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā mentions the address of Ṣāliḥ 'Alaihis Salām to his people: No reward do I ask of you for my Tablīgh (invitation). My reward is only with the Sustainer of the worlds.

Ash-Shu'arā 26: 145

وقال تعالى:

وَمَا أَسْأَلُكُمْ عَلَيْهِ مِنْ أَجْرٍ إِنْ أَجْرِيَ إِلَّا
عَلَىٰ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٤٥﴾

[الشعراء: ١٤٥]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And that which you give in Zakāt, only to please Allāh; these are those who increase their wealth and reward.

Ar-Rūm 30: 39

وقال تعالى:

وَمَا أَتَيْتُم مِّن زَكَاةٍ تُرِيدُونَ وَجْهَ اللَّهِ
فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُضْعِفُونَ ﴿٣٩﴾

[الروم: ٣٩]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says

And call on Him (Allāh) with true devotion.

Al Aa'rāf 7:29

وقال تعالى:

وَادْعُوهُ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ [الاعراف: ٢٩].

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Their flesh and their blood (of the sacrifices of cows, goats or camels) reach not Allāh, but your piety (and internal aspirations towards Allāh) reach Him.

Al-Hajj 22: 37

وقال تعالى:

لَن يَنَالَ اللَّهَ لُحُومُهَا وَلَا دِمَاؤُهَا وَلَكِن
يَنَالُهُ التَّقْوَىٰ مِنْكُمْ [الحج: ٣٧]

[الحج: ٣٧]

AḤĀDĪTH

١ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَنْظُرُ إِلَى صُورِكُمْ وَأَمْوَالِكُمْ، وَلَكِنْ يَنْظُرُ إِلَى قُلُوبِكُمْ وَأَعْمَالِكُمْ. رواه مسلم، باب تحريم ظلم المسلم، رقم: ٦٥٤٣

1. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Indeed Allāh does not look at your faces and possessions, but He looks at your hearts and your deeds. (Muslim)

Note: It means the decision of Allāh’s pleasure will not be based upon your faces and possessions, but upon your hearts and deeds as to how much sincerity was in your heart.

٢ - عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّمَا الْأَعْمَالُ بِالنِّيَّةِ، وَإِنَّمَا لِأَمْرٍ مَا نَوَى، فَمَنْ كَانَتْ هِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ فَهِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ، وَمَنْ كَانَتْ هِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى دُنْيَا يُصِيبُهَا أَوْ امْرَأَةٍ يَتَزَوَّجُهَا، فَهِجْرَتُهُ إِلَى مَا هَاجَرَ إِلَيْهِ. رواه البخاري، باب النية في الإيمان، رقم: ٦٦٨٩

2. ‘Umar ibn al Khattāb Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrated: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Verily the reward of deeds depend upon intentions; and indeed every man shall receive what he intended for. Thus, he whose migration was for Allāh and His Messenger, so his migration will be considered for Allāh and His Messenger. He whose migration was towards the world or to be married to some woman, his migration will be considered to be for what he migrated for. (Bukhārī)

٣ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّمَا يُنْعَثُ النَّاسُ عَلَى نِيَّتِهِمْ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب النية، رقم: ٤٢٢٩

3. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Undoubtedly upon resurrection, people will be treated according to their intentions. (Ibne-Mājah)

٤ - عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَغْزُو جَيْشُ الْكُفَّةِ، فَإِذَا كَانُوا بَيْنَاءَ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ يُخْسَفُ بِأُولِهِمْ وَآخِرِهِمْ، قَالَتْ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! كَيْفَ يُخْسَفُ بِأُولِهِمْ

وَأَخْرِهِمْ وَفِيهِمْ أَسْوَاقُهُمْ وَمَنْ لَيْسَ مِنْهُمْ؟ قَالَ: يُخَسَفُ بِأَوَّلِهِمْ وَأَخْرِهِمْ، ثُمَّ يُعْتَوْنَ عَلَى نِيَّاتِهِمْ. رواه البخارى، باب ما ذكر في الأسواق. رقم: ٢١١٨

4. 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anha narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: An army will invade the Ka'bah; and when it reaches a barren plain, its men, from the first to the last, will be swallowed up by the earth. She says that I asked: O Rasūlallāh! How would the first and the last of them be swallowed up by the earth, when among them would be traders and people who were not a party to them. He said: The first and the last one of them would be swallowed up the earth; and when they will be resurrected they will be judged according to their intentions. (Bukhārī)

٥- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: لَقَدْ تَرَكْتُمْ بِالْمَدِينَةِ أَقْوَامًا مَا سِرْتُمْ مَسِيرًا، وَلَا أَنْفَقْتُمْ مِنْ نَفَقَةٍ، وَلَا قَطَعْتُمْ مِنْ وَادٍ إِلَّا وَهُمْ مَعَكُمْ فِيهِ، قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! وَكَيْفَ يَكُونُونَ مَعَنَا وَهُمْ بِالْمَدِينَةِ؟ قَالَ: حَبَسَهُمُ الْعُدْرُ. رواه أبو داود، باب الرخصة في القعود من العذر، رقم: ٢٥٠٨

5. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: You have indeed left behind in Madīna people who will have an equal share in reward in no matter whatsoever path you travel or whatever you spend and whatever valley you cross. The Ṣaḥābah asked: O Rasūlallāh! How can they be with us when they are in Madīna? He said: They intended to go out with you but were detained by a valid reason. (Abu Dāwūd)

٦- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فِيمَا يَرْوَى عَنْ رَبِّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ قَالَ: قَالَ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ كَتَبَ الْحَسَنَاتِ وَالسَّيِّئَاتِ ثُمَّ بَيَّنَ ذَلِكَ، فَمَنْ هَمَّ بِحَسَنَةٍ فَلَمْ يَعْمَلْهَا كَتَبَهَا اللَّهُ لَهُ عِنْدَهُ حَسَنَةً كَامِلَةً، فَإِنْ هَمَّ بِهَا وَعَمَلَهَا كَتَبَهَا اللَّهُ لَهُ عِنْدَهُ عَشْرَ حَسَنَاتٍ إِلَى سَبْعِ مِائَةِ ضِعْفٍ إِلَى أَضْعَافٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، وَمَنْ هَمَّ بِسَيِّئَةٍ فَلَمْ يَعْمَلْهَا كَتَبَهَا اللَّهُ لَهُ عِنْدَهُ حَسَنَةً كَامِلَةً، فَإِنْ هُوَ هَمَّ بِهَا فَعَمَلَهَا كَتَبَهَا اللَّهُ لَهُ سَيِّئَةً وَاحِدَةً. رواه البخارى، باب من هم بحسنة أو سيئة، رقم: ٦٤٩١

6. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates from among those sayings which Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, has related from his Rabb 'Azza wa Jall: Allāh has spelled out good deeds and bad ones (to the appointed angels over you). He then explained it. If any one intends to do a good deed but does not do it, Allāh enters for

him in His record as a complete good deed; and if he intends to do a good deed and does it, Allāh enters for him in His record as ten to seven hundred and many more times as much. If any one intends to do a bad deed and does not do it (because of fear of Allāh), Allāh enters it for him in His record as a complete good deed; but if he intends to do it and does it, Allāh records it for him as one bad deed. (Bukhārī)

٧- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: قَالَ رَجُلٌ: لَا تَصَدَّقَنَّ بِصَدَقَةٍ، فَخَرَجَ بِصَدَقَتِهِ فَوَضَعَهَا فِي يَدِ سَارِقٍ فَأَصْبَحُوا يَتَحَدَّثُونَ: تُصَدِّقُ عَلَى سَارِقٍ فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ الْحَمْدُ، لَا تَصَدَّقَنَّ بِصَدَقَةٍ، فَخَرَجَ بِصَدَقَتِهِ فَوَضَعَهَا فِي يَدِ زَانِيَةٍ، فَأَصْبَحُوا يَتَحَدَّثُونَ: تُصَدِّقُ اللَّيْلَةَ عَلَى زَانِيَةٍ، فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ الْحَمْدُ، عَلَى زَانِيَةٍ، لَا تَصَدَّقَنَّ بِصَدَقَةٍ، فَخَرَجَ بِصَدَقَتِهِ فَوَضَعَهَا فِي يَدِ غَنِيِّ، فَأَصْبَحُوا يَتَحَدَّثُونَ: تُصَدِّقُ عَلَى غَنِيٍّ، فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ لَكَ الْحَمْدُ عَلَى سَارِقٍ، وَعَلَى زَانِيَةٍ، وَعَلَى غَنِيٍّ، فَأَتَى، فَقِيلَ لَهُ: أَمَا صَدَقْتَكَ عَلَى سَارِقٍ، فَلَعَلَّهُ أَنْ يَسْتَعِفَّ عَنْ سَرَقَتِهِ، وَأَمَا الزَّانِيَةَ فَلَعَلَّهَا أَنْ تَسْتَعِفَّ عَنْ زَنَاهَا، وَأَمَا الْغَنِيُّ فَلَعَلَّهُ أَنْ يَعْتَبِرَ فَيَنْفِقَ مِمَّا أَعْطَاهُ اللَّهُ.

رواه البخارى، باب إذا تصدق على غنى ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٤٢١

7. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: A man said indeed I will give Ṣadaqah (quietly)! He came out with his Ṣadaqah and placed it in the hands of a thief. In the morning people began to talk and say: Ṣadaqah was given to a thief. The man said: O Allāh! All praise is for You, I will indeed give Ṣadaqah. And he came out with Ṣadaqah and placed it in the hands of an adulteress. In the morning people began to talk and say Ṣadaqah was given to an adulteress last night. The man said: O Allāh! All praise is for You, in giving Ṣadaqah to an adulteress. I will surely give Ṣadaqah. He came out with Ṣadaqah and placed it in the hands of a rich man. In the morning people began to talk and say: Ṣadaqah was given to a rich man. The man said: O Allāh! All praise is for You in giving Ṣadaqah to a thief, an adulteress and a rich man. He then had a dream in which he was told that his Ṣadaqah which was made to be given to a thief, may perhaps result in his refraining from stealing, to the adulteress, so that she may perhaps refrain from adultery, and to the rich man so that he may perhaps pay heed and spend from what Allāh had given him. (Bukhārī)

Note: Because of this man's sincerity Allāh accepted all three of this man's Ṣadaqāt.

٨- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: انْطَلَقَ ثَلَاثَةٌ رَهْطٍ مِمَّنْ كَانَ قَبْلَكُمْ حَتَّى أَوْوَا الْمَيْتَ إِلَى غَارٍ فَدَخَلُوهُ، فَانْحَدَرَتْ صَخْرَةٌ مِنَ الْجَبَلِ فَسَدَتْ عَلَيْهَا الْغَارُ، فَقَالُوا: إِنَّهُ لَا يَنْجِيكُمْ مِنْ هَذِهِ الصَّخْرَةِ إِلَّا أَنْ تَدْعُوا اللَّهَ بِصَالِحِ أَعْمَالِكُمْ، فَقَالَ رَجُلٌ مِنْهُمْ: اللَّهُمَّ! كَانَ لِي أَبَوَانِ شَيْخَانِ كَبِيرَانِ، وَكُنْتُ لَا أَغْبِقُ قَبْلَهُمَا أَهْلًا وَلَا مَالًا، فَتَأَى بَنِي فِي طَلَبِ شَيْءٍ يَوْمًا فَلَمْ أُرِخْ عَلَيْهِمَا حَتَّى نَامَا، فَحَلَبْتُ لَهُمَا غُبُوقَهُمَا فَوَجَدْتُهُمَا نَائِمَيْنِ، فَكَرِهْتُ أَنْ أَغْبِقُ قَبْلَهُمَا أَهْلًا أَوْ مَالًا، فَلَبِثْتُ وَالْقَدَحُ عَلَى يَدَيَّ أَنْتَظِرُ اسْتَيْقَاطَهُمَا حَتَّى بَرَقَ الْفَجْرُ فَاسْتَيْقَظَا فَشَرِبَا غُبُوقَهُمَا، اللَّهُمَّ! إِنْ كُنْتُ فَعَلْتُ ذَلِكَ ابْتِغَاءً وَجْهَكَ فَفَرِّجْ عَنَّا مَا نَحْنُ فِيهِ مِنْ هَذِهِ الصَّخْرَةِ، فَاَنْفَرَجَتْ شَيْئًا لَا يَسْتَطِيعُونَ الْخُرُوجَ، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: وَقَالَ الْآخَرُ: اللَّهُمَّ! كَانَتْ لِي بِنْتُ عَمٍّ، كَانَتْ أَحَبَّ النَّاسِ إِلَيَّ فَأَرَدْتُهَا عَنْ نَفْسِهَا، فَأَمْتَعْتُ مِنِّي حَتَّى أَلَمْتُ بِهَا سَنَةً مِنَ السَّنِينَ، فَجَاءَ تَبْنَى فَأَعْطَيْتُهَا عِشْرِينَ وَمِائَةَ دِينَارٍ عَلَى أَنْ تُحَلِّيَ بَيْنِي وَبَيْنَ نَفْسِهَا فَفَعَلَتْ، حَتَّى إِذَا قَدَرْتُ عَلَيْهَا قَالَتْ: لَا أَحِلُّ لَكَ أَنْ تَقْضِيَ الْخَاتَمَ إِلَّا بِحَقِّهِ، فَتَحَرَّجْتُ مِنَ الْوُفُوعِ عَلَيْهَا فَانْصَرَفْتُ عَنْهَا وَهِيَ أَحَبُّ النَّاسِ إِلَيَّ، فَتَرَكْتُ الذَّهَبَ الَّذِي أَعْطَيْتُهَا، اللَّهُمَّ! إِنْ كُنْتُ فَعَلْتُ ذَلِكَ ابْتِغَاءً وَجْهَكَ فَافْرِجْ عَنَّا مَا نَحْنُ فِيهِ، فَاَنْفَرَجَتِ الصَّخْرَةُ غَيْرَ أَنَّهُمْ لَا يَسْتَطِيعُونَ الْخُرُوجَ مِنْهَا، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: وَقَالَ الثَّالِثُ: اللَّهُمَّ! إِنِّي اسْتَأْجَرْتُ أَجْرَاءَ، فَأَعْطَيْتُهُمْ أَجْرَهُمْ غَيْرَ رَجُلٍ وَاحِدٍ، تَرَكَ الَّذِي لَهُ وَذَهَبَ، فَتَمَرَّتْ أَجْرُهُ حَتَّى كَثُرَتْ مِنْهُ الْأُمُوالُ، فَجَاءَ نَبِيٌّ بَعْدَ حِينٍ فَقَالَ: يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ! أَدِّ إِلَيَّ أَجْرِي، فَقُلْتُ لَهُ: كُلُّ مَا تَرَى مِنْ أَجْرِكَ مِنَ الْإِبِلِ وَالْبَقَرِ وَالْغَنَمِ وَالرَّقِيقِ، فَقَالَ: يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ! لَا تَسْتَهْزِئْ بِي، فَقُلْتُ: إِنِّي لَا أَسْتَهْزِئُ بِكَ، فَأَخَذَهُ كُلَّهُ فَاسْتَأْفَقَهُ فَلَمْ يَتْرُكْ مِنْهُ شَيْئًا، اللَّهُمَّ! إِنْ كُنْتُ فَعَلْتُ ذَلِكَ ابْتِغَاءً وَجْهَكَ فَافْرِجْ عَنَّا مَا نَحْنُ فِيهِ، فَاَنْفَرَجَتِ الصَّخْرَةُ فَخَرَجُوا يَمْشُونَ. رواه البخاري، باب من استأجر أجيرا فترك

أجره ٠٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٢٧٢

8. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Three people (of an Ummah) before you, set out on a journey and they took refuge in a cave to spend the night. A rock slid from the mountain and blocked

the cave. They said: Indeed you cannot be relieved from this rock, except that you invoke Allāh on the basis of your good deeds. So one of them said: O Allāh! I had very aged parents and I would not give milk to my children and other members of my family and slaves before my parents. One day I went far away in quest of something and I could not return to my parents before they had slept. I milked the evening milk for them and found that they were asleep. I disliked to give milk to my children and other members of my family and slaves to drink before them. So I stood by them, with the bowl of milk in my hand, waiting for them to wake up till it dawned. Then they woke up and they drank their evening's share of the milk. O Allāh! If I had done so to please You, relieve us from the distress imposed upon us by this rock. So the rock moved a little resulting in a small opening; but not enough for them to get out.

Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam then said that the second man said: O Allāh! I had a cousin, whom I loved more than anybody. I desired to satisfy my lust with her, but she refused. Subsequently, a year of famine forced her to approach me. I gave her one hundred and twenty Dīnārs on the condition that she would yield herself to me. So she agreed and when I was able to get a hold on her she said: It is not permitted for you to break the seal of virginity except by its lawful right (that is by marriage). I restrained myself from falling upon her and I walked away from her, though she was the most beloved of people to me, and I left the Dīnārs with her. O Allāh! If I had done so to please You, then relieve us from the distress that we are suffering. So again the rock moved a little resulting in a small opening; but they were still unable to get out.

Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam then said that the third one invoked: O Allāh! I hired the services of some labourers and paid all of them their wages except one, who departed without taking what was due to him. I invested his wage in a business and the business prospered immensely. He came back to me after a long time and said: O slave of Allāh! Pay me my due. I replied: All that you see is yours: camels, cattle, sheep and slaves. He said: O slave of Allāh! Do not make fun of me. So I said: I am not joking with you. So, he took all of it and drove away not leaving anything. O Allāh! If I had done so, to please You, then relieve us from this distress. So the rock moved aside, and they got out walking freely. (Bukhārī)

٩ - عَنْ أَبِي كَبْشَةَ الْأَنْمَارِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّهُ سَمِعَ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: ثَلَاثٌ أَقْسِمُ عَلَيْهِنَّ وَأُحَدِّثُكُمْ حَدِيثًا فَاحْفَظُوهُ، قَالَ: مَا نَقَصَ مَالُ عَبْدٍ مِنْ صَدَقَةٍ، وَلَا ظَلِمَ عَبْدٌ مَظْلَمَةً صَبَرَ عَلَيْهَا إِلَّا زَادَهُ اللَّهُ عِزًّا، وَلَا فَتَحَ عَبْدٌ بَابَ مَسْئَلَةٍ إِلَّا فَتَحَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ بَابَ فَقْرٍ - أَوْ كَلِمَةٍ نَحْوَهَا - وَأُحَدِّثُكُمْ حَدِيثًا فَاحْفَظُوهُ، قَالَ: إِنَّمَا الدُّنْيَا لِأَرْبَعَةِ نَفَرٍ: عَبْدٌ رَزَقَهُ اللَّهُ مَالًا وَعِلْمًا فَهُوَ يَتَّقِي رَبَّهُ فِيهِ وَيَصِلُ بِهِ رَحْمَهُ وَيَعْلَمُ اللَّهُ فِيهِ حَقًّا فَهَذَا بِأَفْضَلِ الْمَنَازِلِ، وَعَبْدٌ رَزَقَهُ اللَّهُ عِلْمًا وَلَمْ يَرْزُقْهُ مَالًا فَهُوَ صَادِقُ النِّيَّةِ، يَقُولُ: لَوْ أَنَّ لِي مَالًا لَعَمِلْتُ فِيهِ بِعَمَلِ فَلَانٍ فَهُوَ بَيْنَهُمَا سَوَاءٌ، وَعَبْدٌ رَزَقَهُ اللَّهُ مَالًا وَلَمْ يَرْزُقْهُ عِلْمًا فَهُوَ يَحْطِ فِي مَالِهِ بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ لَا يَتَّقِي فِيهِ رَبَّهُ وَلَا يَصِلُ فِيهِ رَحْمَهُ وَلَا يَعْلَمُ اللَّهُ فِيهِ حَقًّا فَهَذَا بِأَخْبَثِ الْمَنَازِلِ، وَعَبْدٌ لَمْ يَرْزُقْهُ اللَّهُ مَالًا وَلَا عِلْمًا فَهُوَ يَقُولُ: لَوْ أَنَّ لِي مَالًا لَعَمِلْتُ فِيهِ بِعَمَلِ فَلَانٍ فَهُوَ بَيْنَهُمَا سَوَاءٌ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح،

باب ما جاء مثل الدنيا مثل أربعة نفر، رقم: ٢٣٢٥

9. Abu Kabshah Al Anmārī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: I swear by Allāh upon three things, and then I will especially tell you something afterwards. So, remember it well! Then he said: The wealth of a man does not decrease by giving Ṣadaqah. If a person endures oppression patiently, Allāh increases his honour. If a person opens the door of begging, Allāh opens the door of poverty upon him (or said something similar). Then he said: I am going to tell you something, so remember it well. Then he said: There are four types of people in the world. 1. The slave of Allāh whom Allāh has bestowed wealth and knowledge; He fears Allāh regarding his wealth, and through this knowledge he spends to strengthen relationships and he knows that there is a right of Allāh in it; he will be in the best of ranks. 2. The slave of Allāh whom Allāh has given knowledge but no wealth, and he is sincere in his intention. He says: Had I been given wealth I would have spent it just like the other person, and for his intention both will be given the same reward. 3. The slave of Allāh whom Allāh has given wealth but no knowledge, and he spends his wealth haphazardly and he does not fear his Rabb in respect of it; he does not discharge his obligations of kinship, and does not know that Allāh has a right on it. He will be in the worst of ranks. 4. The slave of Allāh whom Allāh has given neither wealth nor knowledge, says: Had I been given wealth, I would have spent it just like the other

(third) person; for his intention, the burden of both will be alike. (Tirmidhī)

١٠ - عَنْ رَجُلٍ مِنْ أَهْلِ الْمَدِينَةِ قَالَ: كَتَبَ مُعَاوِيَةُ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ إِلَى عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا أَنْ أَكْتُبِيَ إِلَيَّ كِتَابًا تُوصِينِي فِيهِ وَلَا تُكْثِرْنِي عَلَى، قَالَ: فَكَتَبَتْ عَائِشَةُ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا إِلَى مُعَاوِيَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ: سَلَامٌ عَلَيْكَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَإِنِّي سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: "مَنْ التَّمَسَّ رِضَا اللَّهِ يَسْخِطِ النَّاسَ كِفَاةَ اللَّهِ مُؤْنَةَ النَّاسِ، وَمَنْ التَّمَسَّ رِضَا النَّاسِ يَسْخِطِ اللَّهَ وَكَلَهُ اللَّهُ إِلَى النَّاسِ" وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكَ. رواه الترمذی، باب منه عاقبة من التمس رضا الناس ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٤١٤

10. A man from Madīnah narrates that Mu‘āwiyah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu wrote a letter to ‘Ā’ishah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha asking her: Write me and advise me but do not make it lengthy. So ‘Ā’ishah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha wrote to Mu‘awiyah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu. After writing Salam she wrote: I have indeed heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: He who seeks Allāh’s pleasure at the cost of people’s anger, Allāh will suffice him against the trouble caused by people and he who seeks the pleasure of men at the cost of Allāh’s anger, Allāh will leave him to the (mercy) of people *wassalāmu-‘Alaik* (May Allāh’s peace be upon you). (Tirmidhī)

١١ - عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ الْبَاهِلِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَقْبَلُ مِنَ الْعَمَلِ إِلَّا مَا كَانَ لَهُ خَالِصًا وَابْتِغَى بِهِ وَجْهَهُ. رواه النسائي، باب من غزا يلتمس الأجر والذكر، رقم: ٣١٤٢

11. Abu Umāmah Al-Bāhilī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Verily, Allāh does not accept any deed, except that done sincerely for Him and to obtain His pleasure. (Nasāī)

١٢ - عَنْ سَعْدِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّمَا يَنْصُرُ اللَّهُ هَذِهِ الْأُمَّةَ بِضَعِيفِهَا، بِدَعْوَتِهِمْ وَصَلَاتِهِمْ وَإِخْلَاصِهِمْ. رواه النسائي، باب الإستصار بالضعيف، رقم: ٣١٨٠

12. Sa’d Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Undoubtedly Allāh helps this Ummah because of its weak, by their supplication, Ṣalāt, and Ikhhlās. (Nasāī)

١٣ - عَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَبْلُغُ بِهِ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ أَتَى فِرَاشَهُ وَهُوَ يَتَوَى أَنْ يَقُومَ

يُصَلِّي مِنَ اللَّيْلِ، فَعَلَبَتْهُ عَيْنَاهُ حَتَّى أَصْبَحَ، كُتِبَ لَهُ مَا نَوَى، وَكَانَ نَوْمُهُ صَدَقَةً عَلَيْهِ مِنْ رَبِّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ. رواه النسائي، باب من أتى فراشه ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٧٨٨

13. Abu Dardā Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who goes to his bed with the intention to get up during the night to offer his Ṣalāt but is overcome by sleep and wakes up in the morning; the reward is written down for him what he intended, and his sleep is a gift for him from his Rabb ‘Azza wa Jall. (Nasāi)

١٤ - عَنْ زَيْدِ بْنِ ثَابِتٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ كَانَتْ الدُّنْيَا هَمَّهُ، فَرَّقَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ أَمْرَهُ وَجَعَلَ فَقْرَهُ بَيْنَ عَيْنَيْهِ وَلَمْ يَأْتِهِ مِنَ الدُّنْيَا إِلَّا مَا كُتِبَ لَهُ، وَمَنْ كَانَتْ الْآخِرَةُ يَتَنَّهُ، جَمَعَ اللَّهُ لَهُ أَمْرَهُ، وَجَعَلَ غِنَاهُ فِي قَلْبِهِ، وَأَتَتْهُ الدُّنْيَا وَهِيَ رَاغِمَةٌ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب الهم بالدنيا، رقم: ٤١٠٥

14. Zaid ibne-Thābit Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: He whose objective is the world, Allāh scatters his affairs (he faces worries and anxieties in every aspect) and places the fear of poverty before his eyes; and he receives only that which has been preordained for him. And he whose intention (objective) is the Hereafter, Allāh makes all his affairs easy; and enriches his heart, and the world comes to him humiliated. (Ibne-Mājah)

١٥ - عَنْ زَيْدِ بْنِ ثَابِتٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: ثَلَاثٌ خِصَالٌ لَا يَغْلُ عَلَى هِنَّ قَلْبُ مُسْلِمٍ: إِخْلَاصُ الْعَمَلِ لِلَّهِ، وَمُنَاصَحَةُ أَلَاةِ الْأَمْرِ، وَلِزُومُ الْجَمَاعَةِ فَإِنَّ دَعْوَتَهُمْ تُحِيطُ مِنْ وَرَاءِهِمْ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: إسناده صحيح ٢٧٠/١

15. Zaid ibne-Thābit Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: There are three habits which keep the heart of a Muslim free from hatred, malice and deception: 1. A deed performed sincerely for the pleasure of Allāh. 2. Well wishing for the Rulers. 3. Holding fast to the Jamā‘ah of Muslims, as their supplications surround those with them. (Ibne-Hibbān)

١٦ - عَنْ ثَوْبَانَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: طَوْلِي لِلْمُخْلِصِينَ، أُولَئِكَ

مَصَابِيحُ الدُّجَى، تَتَجَلَّى عَنْهُمْ كُلُّ فِتْنَةٍ ظَلَمَاءَ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٣٤٣/٥

16. Thawbān Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Glad tidings to the sincere (people). They are an illumination in the darkness, because of whom all severe evils are driven away. (Baihaqī)

١٧- عَنْ أَبِي فِرَاسٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ رَجُلٍ مِنْ أَسْلَمَ قَالَ: نَادَى رَجُلٌ فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مَا

الْإِيمَانُ؟ قَالَ: الْإِخْلَاصُ. (وهو جزء من الحديث) رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٣٤٢/٥

17. Abu Firās Raḥimahullāh of the tribe of Aslam narrated that a person loudly asked: O Rasūlallāh! What is Īmān? He replied: Ikhlās (sincerity). (Baihaqī)

١٨- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: صَدَقَةُ السِّرِّ تُطْفِئُ غَضَبَ الرَّبِّ.

(وهو طرف من الحديث) رواه الطبراني في الكبير وإسناده حسن، مجمع الزوائد ٢٩٣/٣

18. Abu Umāmah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Giving Ṣadaqah secretly cools the anger of the Rabb. (Ṭabarānī)

١٩- عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قِيلَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَرَأَيْتَ الرَّجُلَ يَعْمَلُ الْعَمَلَ مِنَ

الْخَيْرِ وَيَحْمَدُهُ النَّاسُ عَلَيْهِ؟ قَالَ: تِلْكَ عَاجِلٌ بُشْرَى الْمُؤْمِنِ. رواه مسلم، باب إذا أتى على

الصالح ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٧٢١

19. Abu Dhar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that it was asked of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam: What do you say about that person who does a good deed and the people praise him for that? He replied: That is immediate glad tidings to the believer. (Muslim)

Note: Indeed, for the Hereafter, there are numerous glad tidings for him, however here he receives an immediate glad tidings provided his action was done solely for the Allāh’s pleasure and not for the praise of people.

٢٠- عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا زَوْجَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَتْ: سَأَلْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ عَنْ هَذِهِ

الْآيَةِ ”وَالَّذِينَ يُؤْتُونَ مَا آتَوْا وَقُلُوبُهُمْ وَجِلَةٌ“ (المؤمنون: ٦٠) قَالَتْ عَائِشَةُ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا: أَهْمُ

الَّذِينَ يَشْرَبُونَ الْخَمْرَ وَيَسْرِقُونَ؟ قَالَ: لَا، يَا بِنْتُ الصَّدِيقِ! وَلَكِنَّهُمْ الَّذِينَ يَصُومُونَ

وَيُصَلُّونَ، وَيَتَصَدَّقُونَ وَهُمْ يَخَافُونَ أَنْ لَا يَقْبَلَ مِنْهُمْ "أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ يُسَارِعُونَ فِي الْخَيْرَاتِ وَهُمْ لَهَا سَابِقُونَ". رواه الترمذی، باب ومن سورة المؤمنین، رقم: ۳۱۷۵

20. 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anha wife of Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam narrates: I asked Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam the meaning of the verse:

وَالَّذِينَ يُؤْتُونَ مَا آتَوْا وَقُلُوبُهُمْ وَجَلَةٌ

And those who give what they have given while their hearts are fearful. (Mu'minūn: 60)

'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anha asked: If these are the people who drink wine and steal. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam replied: No, O daughter of Ṣiddīq! But they are those who fast, offer Ṣalāt, give Ṣadaqah, and they fear that their good deeds may not to be accepted by Allāh. These are the people who race towards good deeds and are foremost in them. (Tirmidhī)

۲۱ - عَنْ سَعْدِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْعَبْدَ التَّقِيَّ، الْغَنِيِّ، الْخَفِيِّ. رواه مسلم، باب الدنيا سجن للمؤمن ۰۰۰، رقم: ۷۴۳۲

21. Sa'd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: Indeed Allāh loves that slave of His who is pious, self sufficient and contented with what has been given to him and is inconspicuous. (Muslim)

۲۲ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَوْ أَنَّ رَجُلًا عَمِلَ عَمَلًا فِي صَخْرٍ لَا بَابَ لَهَا وَلَا كَوَّةَ، خَرَجَ عَمَلُهُ إِلَى النَّاسِ كَأَنَّ مَا كَانَ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ۳۵۹/۵

22. Abu Sa'id Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: If a man was to do a deed within a rock which has no door or window, his deed would become known to people, whatever it is good or bad. (Baihaqī)

Note: When a deed of whatever nature will eventually become known, then why should those who engage in good deeds spoil them by insincerity? And what benefit is there for an evil-doer in concealing his bad deed? For this will ultimately be exposed. (Tarjumān-us-Sunnah)

٢٣- عَنْ مَعْنِ بْنِ يَزِيدَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: كَانَ أَبِي يَزِيدُ أَخْرَجَ دِينَارَيْنِ يَتَصَدَّقُ بِهِمَا، فَوَضَعَهَا عِنْدَ رَجُلٍ فِي الْمَسْجِدِ، فَجِئْتُ فَأَخَذْتُهَا فَأَتَيْتُهُ بِهَا، فَقَالَ: وَاللَّهِ! مَا إِلَيْكَ أَرَدْتُ، فَخَاصَمْتُهُ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالَ: لَكَ مَا نَوَيْتَ يَا يَزِيدُ! وَلَكَ مَا أَخَذْتَ يَا مَعْنُ! رواه البخاري، باب إذا تصدق على ابنه وهو لا يشعر، رقم: ١٤٢٢

23. Ma'n ibne-Yazīd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that my father, Yazīd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu, set aside some Dīnārs for charity, and gave them to a person in the masjid (so that these may be given to a needy person). I went and (being needy myself) took those Dīnārs and came back. My father said: I swear by Allāh! I had not meant these to be given to you. So I took my father to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam and presented this matter to him. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said to my father: You have your reward as intended O Yazid! and said to me: And what you have taken is yours O Ma'n. (Bukhārī)

٢٤- عَنْ طَاوُوسٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَجُلٌ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! إِنِّي أَقِفُ الْمَوَاقِفَ أُرِيدُ وَجْهَ اللَّهِ، وَأُحِبُّ أَنْ يُرَى مَوْطِنِي، فَلَمْ يَزِدْ عَلَيْهِ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ شَيْئًا حَتَّى نَزَلَتْ عَلَيْهِ هَذِهِ الْآيَةُ ﴿فَمَنْ كَانَ يَرْجُو لِقَاءَ رَبِّهِ فَلْيَعْمَلْ عَمَلًا صَالِحًا وَلَا يُشْرِكْ بِعِبَادَةِ رَبِّهِ أَحَدًا﴾. تفسير ابن كثير ١٤/٣

24. Tāūs Raḥimahullāh narrates that a man said: O Rasūlallāh! I get up to do some good deed at certain times; and I intend to please Allāh and I desire that this deed may be seen. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam did not reply until this verse was revealed:

فَمَنْ كَانَ يَرْجُو لِقَاءَ رَبِّهِ فَلْيَعْمَلْ عَمَلًا صَالِحًا وَلَا يُشْرِكْ بِعِبَادَةِ رَبِّهِ أَحَدًا

He who longs to see his Rabb (wishing to become His beloved) let him do righteous work, and make none share of the worship due unto his Rabb. (Kahf 18:110)

(Tafsīr ibne-Kathīr)

Note: The form of *shirk* (polytheism) which is forbidden in this verse relates to showing off. It is forbidden to mix some worldly desire in a work which ought to be done solely for the pleasure of Allāh. This is also hidden shirk which destroys a man's good deeds.

TO ACT IN PURE EARNEST TO PLEASE ALLĀH TA‘ĀLĀ, WITH BELIEF IN HIS PROMISES AND WITH HOPE OF HIS REWARDS

AḤĀDĪTH

٢٥- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَرْبَعُونَ خَصْلَةً أَعْلَاهُنَّ مَنِيحَةُ الْعَنْزِ، مَا مِنْ عَامِلٍ يَعْمَلُ بِخَصْلَةٍ مِنْهَا رَجَاءَ ثَوَابِهَا وَتَصْدِيقَ مَوْعِدِهَا إِلَّا أَدْخَلَهُ اللَّهُ بِهَا الْجَنَّةَ. رواه البخارى، باب فضل المنيحة، رقم: ٢٦٣١

25. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhumā narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: There are forty virtuous deeds; the best of them is to lend one’s goat to another, so that he may benefit from its milk. Anyone who does any of these virtuous deeds hoping for reward and affirming upon Allāh’s promise, Allāh will send him to Paradise. (Bukhārī)

Note: Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam did not give the details of each of these forty virtuous deeds, so that a good deed may be done believing that it is amongst those forty deeds whose excellence has been mentioned in this ḥadīth. (Fath-ul-Bārī)

The objective is that a person should do every deed with the quality of Īmān and *ehṭisāb*, that is while doing the deed he must have belief in the promises of Allāh and be conscious of its rewards.

٢٦- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ اتَّبَعَ جَنَازَةَ مُسْلِمٍ إِيْمَانًا وَاحْتِسَابًا وَكَانَ مَعَهُ حَتَّى يُصَلَّى عَلَيْهَا وَيُفْرَغَ مِنْ دَفْنِهَا، فَإِنَّهُ يَرْجِعُ مِنَ الْأَجْرِ بِقَيِّرَاطَيْنِ كُلُّ قَيِّرَاطٍ مِثْلُ أُحْدٍ، وَمَنْ صَلَّى عَلَيْهَا ثُمَّ رَجَعَ قَبْلَ أَنْ تُدْفَنَ فَإِنَّهُ يَرْجِعُ بِقَيِّرَاطٍ. رواه البخارى، باب اتباع الجنائز من الإيمان، رقم: ٤٧

26. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh

Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If anyone attends the funeral of a Muslim with the belief in His promises, and hoping for His rewards and stays till the prayer is offered and the burial is completed he will get the reward of two *Qīrāts*, each *Qīrāt* being equivalent to Uḥud; and if anyone prays over the dead and returns before the burial he will come back with one *Qīrāt*. (Bukhārī)

Note: A *Qīrāt* is one-twelfth of a Dirham. In that period wages were paid to labourers for their work in the form of a *Qīrāt*. Therefore, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam also used the word *Qīrāt* but then clarified that this should not be considered a worldly *Qīrāt*, but that its reward will be according to the *Qīrāt* of the Hereafter which will be as great and magnificent as Mount Uḥud when compared to the *Qīrāt* of this world. (Ma‘āriful Ḥadīth)

٢٧- عَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ: سَمِعْتُ أَبَا الْقَاسِمِ عليه السلام يَقُولُ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ قَالَ: يَا عِيسَى إِنِّي بَاعْتُ مِنْ بَعْدِكَ أُمَّةً إِنْ أَصَابَهُمْ مَا يُحِبُّونَ حَمْدُوا اللَّهَ، وَإِنْ أَصَابَهُمْ مَا يَكْرَهُونَ احْتَسَبُوا وَصَبَرُوا، وَلَا حِلْمٌ وَلَا عِلْمٌ، فَقَالَ: يَا رَبِّ كَيْفَ يَكُونُ هَذَا لَهُمْ وَلَا حِلْمٌ وَلَا عِلْمٌ؟ قَالَ: أُعْطِيَهُمْ مِنْ حِلْمِي وَعِلْمِي. رواه الحاكم وقال: هذا حديث صحيح على شرط البخاري ولم يخرجاه ووافقه الذهبي ٣٤٨/١

27. Abu Dardā' Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu reports: I heard Abul Qāsim (Rasūlullāh) Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam narrating in a Ḥadīth Qudsi that verily Allāh has said: O ‘Īsā! I will send such an Ummah after you, that when they receive something they like (of bounty and comfort), they will praise Allāh, and when confronted with something they dislike, they will bear this with patience, hoping for Allāh's pleasure and reward. These people will neither have *Hilm* (softness and forbearance) nor ‘Ilm (knowledge). ‘Īsā ‘Alaihis Salām submitted: O my Rabb! How will they do all this when they will neither have *Hilm* nor ‘Ilm? Allāh said: I shall give them *Hilm* from My *Hilm* and ‘Ilm from My ‘Ilm. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

٢٨- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ عليه السلام قَالَ: يَقُولُ اللَّهُ سُبْحَانَهُ: ابْنُ آدَمَ إِنْ صَبَرْتَ وَاحْتَسَبْتَ عِنْدَ الصَّدْمَةِ الْأُولَى، لَمْ أَرْضَ لَكَ ثَوَابًا دُونَ الْجَنَّةِ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب ما جاء في الصبر على المصيبة، رقم: ١٥٩٧

28. Abu Umāmah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates in a Ḥadīth Qudsi: I

heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying that Allāh Subhānahū says: O Son of Ādam! If (on losing something or hearing some grievous news) from the beginning you have patience and hope for My pleasure and My reward then I will not be pleased for you with anything less than Paradise. (Ibne-Mājah)

٢٩- عَنْ أَبِي مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا أَنْفَقَ الرَّجُلُ عَلَى أَهْلِهِ يَحْتَسِبُهَا فَهُوَ لَهُ صَدَقَةٌ. رواه البخارى، باب ما جاء أن الأعمال بالنية والحسبة، رقم: ٥٥

29. Abu Mas‘ūd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: When a person spends on his family, hoping for Allāh’s pleasure and believing in reward from Allāh then this spending is Ṣadaqah for him. (Bukhārī)

٣٠- عَنْ سَعْدِ بْنِ أَبِي وَقَّاصٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّكَ لَنْ تُنْفِقَ نَفَقَةً تَبْتَغِي بِهَا وَجْهَ اللَّهِ إِلَّا أُجِرْتَ عَلَيْهَا حَتَّى مَا تَجْعَلُ فِي فَمِ امْرَأَتِكَ. رواه البخارى، باب ما جاء أن الأعمال بالنية والحسبة، رقم: ٥٦

30. Sa‘d ibne-Abī Waqqāṣ Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Indeed whenever you spend to please Allāh, you will be rewarded for it; even for a morsel which you put in your wife’s mouth. (Bukhārī)

٣١- عَنْ أُسَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنْتُ عِنْدَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ إِذْ جَاءَهُ رَسُولُ إِحْدَى بَنَاتِهِ وَعِنْدَهُ سَعْدٌ وَأَبَى بْنُ كَعْبٍ وَمُعَاذٌ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ أَنْ أَيْنَهَا يَجُودُ بِنَفْسِهِ، فَبَعَثَ إِلَيْهَا: اللَّهُ مَا أَخَذَ، وَلِلَّهِ مَا أَعْطَى، كُلَّ يَاجِلٍ، فَلْتَصْبِرْ وَلْتَحْتَسِبْ. رواه البخارى، باب وكان أمر الله قدرا مقيدورا، رقم: ٦٦٠٢

31. Usāmah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that I was present with Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, when a messenger came from one of his daughters, at that time Sa‘d, Ubayy ibne-Ka‘b, Mu‘adh Raḍiyallāhu anhum were with him, with the message that her son is close to death. Upon this he conveyed this message to his daughter: It is for Allāh what He has taken; and it is for Allāh what He has given. The time of everything is destined, therefore, be patient and hopeful of reward from Allāh. (Bukhārī)

٣٢- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ لِنِسْوَةٍ مِنَ الْأَنْصَارِ: لَا يَمُوتُ

لِإِحْدَاكُنَّ ثَلَاثَةً مِنَ الْوَلَدِ فَتَحْتَسِبَهُ، إِلَّا دَخَلْتَ الْجَنَّةَ، فَقَالَتْ امْرَأَةٌ مِنْهُنَّ: أَوْ اثْنَانِ؟ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! قَالَ: أَوْ اثْنَانِ. رواه مسلم، باب فضل من يموت له ولد فيحسبه، رقم: ٦٦٩٨

32. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told the women of the Ansār: Anyone of you whose three children die and she hopes for the pleasure of Allāh and reward from Him for it, she will enter Paradise. One of them asked: If two die? O Rasūlallāh! He replied: Even if two die. (Muslim)

٣٣- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو بْنِ الْعَاصِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ اللَّهُ لَا يَرْضَى لِعَبْدِهِ الْمُؤْمِنِ إِذَا ذَهَبَ بِصَفِيَّتِهِ مِنْ أَهْلِ الْأَرْضِ فَصَبَرَ وَاحْتَسَبَ وَقَالَ مَا أَمْرِي بِهِ، يَثْوَابِ دُونَ الْجَنَّةِ. رواه النسائي، باب ثواب من صبر واحتسب، رقم: ١٨٧٢

33. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr ibnil ‘Āṣ Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhumā narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: When Allāh takes away the beloved from amongst the people of the earth of a believing slave and he is patient, hopes for a reward and says what he has been ordered to say (e.g. *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji‘ūn*), then Allāh is pleased with nothing less than Paradise for him. (Nasaī)

٣٤- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَخْبِرْنِي عَنِ الْجِهَادِ وَالْغَزْوِ، فَقَالَ: يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ عَمْرٍو! إِنْ قَاتَلْتَ صَابِرًا مُحْتَسِبًا بَعَثَكَ اللَّهُ صَابِرًا مُحْتَسِبًا، وَإِنْ قَاتَلْتَ مُرَائِيًا مُكَاثِرًا بَعَثَكَ اللَّهُ مُرَائِيًا مُكَاثِرًا، يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ عَمْرٍو! عَلَى أَيِّ حَالٍ قَاتَلْتَ أَوْ قَتِلْتَ بَعَثَكَ اللَّهُ عَلَى تِلْكَ الْحَالِ. رواه أبو داود، باب من قاتل لكون كلمة الله هي العليا، رقم: ٢٥١٩

34. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhumā narrates: I asked: O Rasūlallāh! Tell me about Jihād and *Ghazwah*? He replied: O ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr! If you fight with patience, seeking from Allāh His pleasure and your reward, Allāh will resurrect you as one enduring patiently and seeking His pleasure and reward from Him. If you fight for showing off and seeking to acquire lots of captured enemy assets, then Allāh will resurrect you as fighting for showing off and seeking to acquire much of captured enemy assets. O ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr! In whatever state (and with whatever intention) you kill or are killed, Allāh will resurrect you in that state. (Abu Dāwūd)

CONDEMNATION OF RIYĀ'

*Condemnation of deeds being done with the
intention of being seen by others*

VERSES OF QUR'ĀN

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

When they stand up to offer Ṣalāh
they perform it lazily and to be
seen of men, and do not remember
Allāh but little.

An-Nisā 4:142

قال الله تعالى:

وَإِذَا قَامُوا إِلَى الصَّلَاةِ قَامُوا كَسَالَى
يُرَاءُونَ النَّاسَ وَلَا يَذْكُرُونَ اللَّهَ إِلَّا

قَلِيلًا ﴿النساء: ١٤٢﴾

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

So woe to those who pray,
but are unmindful of their prayers;
who make a show (of piety).

Al-Mā'ūn 107:4-6

وقال تعالى:

فَوَيْلٌ لِلْمُصَلِّينَ
الَّذِينَ هُمْ عَنْ صَلَاتِهِمْ سَاهُونَ
الَّذِينَ هُمْ يُرَاءُونَ ﴿الماعون: ٤-٦﴾

Note: "...are unmindful of their prayers": includes offering it *Qaḍa* (after its prescribed time), or offering it inattentively, or offering it irregularly. (Kashfur Rahmān)

AḤĀDĪTH

٣٥- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: بِحَسْبِ امْرِئٍ مِنَ الشَّرِّ أَنْ يُشَارَ
إِلَيْهِ بِالْأَصَابِعِ فِي دِينٍ أَوْ دُنْيَا إِلَّا مَنْ عَصَمَهُ اللَّهُ. رواه الترمذی، باب منه حديث إن لكل شيء شرة،

رقم: ٢٤٥٣

35. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: Indeed it is evil enough for a man to have fingers pointed at him for some religious or worldly reason, except whom Allāh protects. (Tirmidhī)

Note: Having fingers pointed at means to become famous which is dangerous. As after becoming famous to save oneself from the feeling of pride is not possible for every one. If fame is unintentional and gifted by Allāh, and He, by His grace, saves one from the evil of one's inner self and Shaitān, then for such sincere persons fame is not dangerous. (Mazāhir Ḥaqqe)

٣٦- عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّهُ خَرَجَ يَوْمًا إِلَى مَسْجِدِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَوَجَدَ مُعَاذَ بْنَ جَبَلٍ قَاعِدًا عِنْدَ قَبْرِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ يَبْكِي، فَقَالَ: مَا يَبْكِيكَ؟ قَالَ: يُبْكِينِي شَيْءٌ سَمِعْتُهُ مِنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ يَسِيرَ الزَّيَاءِ شِرْكٌ، وَإِنْ مَنْ عَادَى اللَّهَ وَلِيًّا فَقَدْ بَارَزَ اللَّهَ بِالْمُحَارَبَةِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْأَبْرَارَ الْأَتْقِيَاءَ الْأَخْفِيَاءَ، الَّذِينَ إِذَا غَابُوا لَمْ يُفْتَقَدُوا، وَإِذَا حَضَرُوا لَمْ يُدْعَوْا وَلَمْ يُعْرَفُوا، قُلُوبُهُمْ مَصَابِيحُ أُلْهِدَى، يَخْرُجُونَ مِنْ كُلِّ غَبَاءٍ مُظْلِمَةٍ. رواه

ابن ماجه، باب من ترجى له السلامة من الفتن، رقم: ٣٩٨٩

36. ‘Umar ibn al Khaṭṭāb Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that one day he went to the masjid of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam and found Mu‘ādh ibne-Jabal sitting by the grave of Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam and weeping. He asked: What makes you weep? Mu‘ādh replied: A thing made me cry which I heard from Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam. He said: Indeed even a little showing off is *Shirk* (polytheism), and verily he who has enmity with a friend of Allāh has gone forth to wage war with Allāh. Indeed, Allāh loves those who do good deeds, fear Him and are unknown; when absent they are not looked for and when present they are not called forward nor recognised. Their hearts are lamps of guidance which pull them out from the dark storms of temptations (because of the light of their hearts, they save their Deen). (Ibne-Mājah)

٣٧- عَنْ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا ذُنْبَانِ جَانِعَانِ أُرْسَلَا فِي غَمٍّ، بِأَفْسَدَ لَهَا مِنْ حِرْصِ الْمَرْءِ عَلَى الْمَالِ وَالشَّرَفِ، لِذَيْنِهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن

صحيح، باب حديث: ما ذنبان جانعان أرسلا في غم، رقم: ٢٣٧٦

37. Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: No two hungry wolves let loose amongst sheep will cause more loss than a man’s greed for wealth and self-esteem to his religion. (Tirmidhī)

٣٨- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ طَلَبَ الدُّنْيَا حَلَالًا مُفَاجِرًا مُكَاثِرًا مُرَائِيًا لَقِيَ اللَّهَ وَهُوَ عَلَيْهِ غَضَبَانُ، وَمَنْ طَلَبَ الدُّنْيَا حَلَالًا، اسْتِغْفَافًا عَنِ الْمَسْأَلَةِ، وَسَعْيًا عَلَى عِيَالِهِ، وَتَعَطُّفًا عَلَى جَارِهِ، لَقِيَ اللَّهَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَوَجْهُهُ كَالْقَمَرِ لَيْلَةَ الْبَدْرِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٩٨/٧

38. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who seeks worldly things, though in a lawful way, to boast, to acquire too much, and to show off will meet Allāh such that Allāh will be very angry with him. And he who seeks worldly things in a lawful way, to keep away from begging, and striving for his family and behaving kindly towards his neighbours, will meet Allāh on the Day of Resurrection with his face shining like the full moon. (Baihaqī)

٣٩- عَنِ الْحَسَنِ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا مِنْ عَبْدٍ يَخْطُبُ خُطْبَةً إِلَّا اللَّهَ عَزَّوَجَلَّ سَأَلَهُ عَنْهَا: مَا أَرَادَ بِهَا؟ قَالَ جَعْفَرُ: كَانَ مَالِكُ بْنُ دِينَارٍ إِذَا حَدَّثَ هَذَا الْحَدِيثَ بَكَى حَتَّى يَنْقَطِعَ ثُمَّ يَقُولُ: يَحْسِبُونَ أَنَّ عَيْنِي تَقْرَأُ بِكَلَامِي عَلَيْكُمْ، فَأَنَا أَعْلَمُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّوَجَلَّ سَأَلَنِي عَنْهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مَا أَرَدْتُ بِهِ. رواه البيهقي ٢٨٧/٢

39. Ḥasan Raḥimahullāh narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Any slave of Allāh, who gives a speech will be asked by Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall, as to what he intended with it? Ja’far Raḥimahullāh said: Whenever Mālik bin Dīnār Raḥimahullāh used to narrate this ḥadīth, he would cry so much as to choke his voice. He would then say: People think that my eyes get cooled when speaking before you. Indeed I know Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall will on the Day of Resurrection ask me: What was the purpose of your speech? (Baihaqī)

٤٠- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ أَسْخَطَ اللَّهَ فِي رِضَى النَّاسِ سَخِطَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ، وَأَسْخَطَ عَلَيْهِ مَنْ أَرْضَاهُ فِي سَخَطِهِ، وَمَنْ أَرْضَى اللَّهَ فِي سَخَطِ النَّاسِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ

عَنْهُ، وَأَرْضَى عَنْهُ مَنْ أَسْخَطَهُ فِي رِضَاهُ حَتَّى يَزِيَنَهُ وَيَزِينَ قَوْلُهُ وَعَمَلُهُ فِي عَيْنِهِ. رواه الطبرانی
ورجاله رجال الصحيح غير يحيى بن سليمان الجعفي، وقد وثقه الذهبي في آخر ترجمة يحيى بن سليمان الجعفي، مجمع
الزوائد ٣٨٦/١٠

40. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who makes Allāh angry for pleasing people, Allāh becomes angry and makes those people angry with him whom he had pleased by angering Allāh. And he who pleases Allāh by making people angry Allāh is pleased with him and makes those people pleased with him whom he had made angry to please Allāh. So much so that He makes him virtuous in the eyes of those people who were angry and his words and deeds become adorned in their eyes. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

٤١ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ أَوَّلَ النَّاسِ يُقْضَى
يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ عَلَيْهِ، رَجُلٌ اسْتَشْهَدَ، فَأَتَى بِهِ فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَتُهُ فَعَرَفَهَا، قَالَ: فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا؟ قَالَ:
قَاتَلْتُ فِيكَ حَتَّى اسْتَشْهَدْتُ، قَالَ: كَذَبْتَ، وَلَكِنَّكَ قَاتَلْتَ لِأَنْ يُقَالَ جَرِيءٌ، فَقَدْ قِيلَ، ثُمَّ أُمِرَ
بِهِ فَسُحِبَ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ حَتَّى أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ، وَرَجُلٌ تَعَلَّمَ الْعِلْمَ وَعَلَّمَهُ وَقَرَأَ الْقُرْآنَ، فَأَتَى بِهِ،
فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَتُهُ فَعَرَفَهَا، قَالَ: فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا؟ قَالَ: تَعَلَّمْتُ الْعِلْمَ وَعَلَّمْتُهُ وَقَرَأْتُ فِيكَ الْقُرْآنَ،
قَالَ: كَذَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّكَ تَعَلَّمْتَ الْعِلْمَ لِيُقَالَ عَالِمٌ، وَقَرَأْتَ الْقُرْآنَ لِيقَالَ هُوَ قَارِئٌ، فَقَدْ قِيلَ، ثُمَّ
أُمِرَ بِهِ فَسُحِبَ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ حَتَّى أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ، وَرَجُلٌ وَسَّعَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَأَعْطَاهُ مِنْ أَصْنَافِ الْمَالِ
كُلِّهِ، فَأَتَى بِهِ فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَتُهُ فَعَرَفَهَا، قَالَ: فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا؟ قَالَ: مَا تَرَكْتُ مِنْ سَبِيلٍ تُحِبُّ أَنْ
يُنْفَقَ فِيهَا إِلَّا أَنْفَقْتُ فِيهَا لَكَ، قَالَ: كَذَبْتَ، وَلَكِنَّكَ فَعَلْتَ لِيُقَالَ هُوَ جَوَادٌ، فَقَدْ قِيلَ، ثُمَّ أُمِرَ بِهِ
فَسُحِبَ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ ثُمَّ أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ. رواه مسلم، باب من قاتل للرباء والسمعة استحق النار، رقم: ٤٩٢٣

41. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: The first amongst the people against whom judgment will be pronounced on the Day of Resurrection will be a martyr. He will be brought forward. Allāh will remind him of His favours and he will acknowledge them. Allāh Ta'ālā will ask: What did you do (to show gratitude) for these favours? He will reply: I fought for You till I was martyred. Allāh will say: You have lied; you fought to be called brave, so it has been said. Command will then be issued about him. He will be dragged

on his face, until cast into the Fire. Next, a man who had learnt and taught (religious) knowledge and recited the Qur'ān, will be brought forward. Allāh will remind him of His favours and he will acknowledge them. Allāh Ta'ālā will ask: What did you do (to show gratitude) for these favours? He will reply: I learnt and taught (religious) knowledge and recited the Qur'ān for Your sake. Allāh Ta'ālā will say: You have lied, you acquired knowledge to be called learned, and you recited the Qur'ān to be called *Qārī* (reciter of the Qur'ān); so you have been called such. Command will then be issued about him. He will be dragged on his face, until cast into the Fire.

Next a man whom Allāh Ta'ālā had made wealthy and to whom He had given all kinds of riches, will be brought forward. Allāh Ta'ālā will remind him of His favours and he will acknowledge them. Allāh Ta'ālā will ask: What did you do (to show gratitude) for these favours? He will reply: I left no cause in which You like money to be spent, except that I spent in it for Your sake. Allāh Ta'ālā will say: You have lied; you did so to be called generous, so it has been said. Command will then be issued about him. He will be dragged on his face and cast into the Fire. (Muslim)

٤٢ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ عِلْمًا مِمَّا يُنْتَفَى بِهِ وَجْهُهُ
اللَّهُ، لَا يَتَعَلَّمُهُ إِلَّا لِيُصِيبَ بِهِ عَرَضًا مِنَ الدُّنْيَا، لَمْ يَجِدْ عَرْفَ الْجَنَّةِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ يَعْنِي رِيحَهَا. رواه
أبو داود، باب في طلب العلم لغير الله، رقم: ٣٦٦٤

42. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If anyone acquires knowledge by which Allāh's pleasure was to be sought, but acquires it only to get some worldly advantage, he shall not even experience the fragrance of Paradise on the Day of Resurrection. (Abu Dāwūd)

٤٣ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَخْرُجُ فِي آخِرِ الزَّمَانِ رِجَالٌ
يَخْتَلُونَ الدُّنْيَا بِالْدِّينِ، يَلْبَسُونَ لِلنَّاسِ جُلُودَ الصَّانِ مِنَ اللَّيْنِ، أَلَسْنَتُهُمْ أَخْلَى مِنَ السَّكْرِ
وَقُلُوبُهُمْ قُلُوبُ الذَّنَابِ، يَقُولُ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ: أَبِي يَغْتَرُونَ أَمْ عَلَى يَجْتَرُونَ؟ فَبِي حَلَفْتُ لَا أَبْعَثَنَّ
عَلَى أُولَئِكَ مِنْهُمْ فِتْنَةً تَدْعُ الْحَلِيمَ مِنْهُمْ حَيْرَانًا. رواه الترمذی، باب حديث خاتلى الدنيا بالدين وعقوبتهم،

رقم: ٢٤٠٤ الجامع الصحيح وهو سنن الترمذی، دار الباز مكة المكرمة

43. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: In the last period, such men will come forth, who will fraudulently use religion for worldly ends, and wear sheepskins in public to display meekness (pretending to be without worldly desires). Their tongues will be sweeter than sugar, but their hearts will be the hearts of wolves. Allāh Ta‘ālā will say: Are they trying to deceive Me or do they dare to rise up against Me? I swear by Myself that I shall send such afflictions upon them, which will leave the intelligent among them confounded. (That, I will impose such people on them, from amongst them, who will cause a variety of problems for them.) (Tirmidhī)

٤٤ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ بْنِ أَبِي فَضَالَةَ الْأَنْصَارِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ وَكَانَ مِنَ الصَّحَابَةِ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِذَا جَمَعَ اللَّهُ النَّاسَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ لِيَوْمٍ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ، نَادَى مُنَادٌ: مَنْ كَانَ أَشْرَكَ فِي عَمَلٍ عَمِلَهُ لِلَّهِ أَحَدًا، فَلْيَطْلُبْ ثَوَابَهُ مِنْ عِنْدِ غَيْرِ اللَّهِ، فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ أَغْنَى الشُّرَكَاءَ عَنِ الشَّرِّكَ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب ومن سورة الكهف، رقم: ٣١٥٤

44. Abu Sa‘īd ibne-Abu Faḍālāh Al-Ansārī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu, who was one of the Ṣaḥābah, narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: When Allāh will assemble men on the Day of Resurrection, a day about which there is no doubt, an announcer will announce: He who used to associate someone with Allāh in a deed, which he did for the sake of Allāh, he should seek the reward from someone besides Allāh, for indeed Allāh is the One Who is beyond need of partners to be associated with Him. (Tirmidhī)

Note: Allāh being absolutely self-sufficient, does not tolerate any partner.

٤٥ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ عِلْمًا لِغَيْرِ اللَّهِ أَوْ أَرَادَ بِهِ غَيْرَ اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَبَوَّأْ مَقْعَدَهُ مِنَ النَّارِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب في من يطلب بعلمه الدنيا، رقم: ٢٦٥٥

45. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Whoever acquires knowledge for any one apart from Allāh or intends by it other than Allāh (honour, fame, wealth, etc.), then let him make his abode in Hell-Fire. (Tirmidhī)

٤٦ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: تَعَوَّذُوا بِاللَّهِ مِنْ جُبِّ الْحَزَنِ قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! وَمَا جُبُّ الْحَزَنِ؟ قَالَ: وَادٍ فِي جَهَنَّمَ يَتَعَوَّذُ مِنْهُ جَهَنَّمُ كُلُّ يَوْمٍ مِائَةَ مَرَّةٍ، قِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! وَمَنْ يَدْخُلُهُ؟ قَالَ: الْقُرَّاءُ الْمُرَاوُونَ بِأَعْمَالِهِمْ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب ما جاء في الرياء والسمعة، رقم: ٢٣٨٣

46. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Seek refuge from *Jubbil-Hazan* (Pit of Sorrow). The Ṣaḥābah asked: What is *Jubbil-Hazan*? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam replied: It is a valley in Hell, from which Hell itself seeks refuge hundred times a day. It was asked: O Rasūlallāh! Who will enter it? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam replied: The reciters of the Qur’ān who show off their deeds. (Tirmidhī)

٤٧ - عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ أَنَا مِنْ أُمَّتِي سَيِّفَقَهُونَ فِي الدِّينِ، وَيَقْرَأُونَ الْقُرْآنَ، وَيَقُولُونَ: نَأْتِي الْأُمَرَاءَ فَنُصِيبُ مِنْ دُنْيَاهُمْ وَنَعْتَزِلُهُمْ بِدِينِنَا، وَلَا يَكُونُ ذَلِكَ، كَمَا لَا يُجْتَنَى مِنَ الْقِتَادِ لَا الشُّوكَ كَذَلِكَ لَا يُجْتَنَى مِنْ قُرْبِهِمْ إِلَّا قَالَ مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ الصَّبَّاحِ: كَأَنَّهُ يَعْنِي: الْخَطَايَا. رواه ابن ماجه، ورواه ثقات، الترغيب ١٩٦/٣

47. Ibne-‘Abbās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhumā narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Verily soon some of my people will acquire knowledge of Deen (religion) and will recite the Qur’ān and say: We go to rulers to get some of their worldly wealth, and withdraw ourselves from their evil because of our Deen. This never happens. As nothing but thorns can be gathered from tragacanth (thorny) trees likewise only evil can be gathered from drawing near to them (Ibne-Mājah and Targhīb)

٤٨ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: خَرَجَ عَلَيْنَا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَنَحْنُ نَتَذَكَّرُ الْمَسِيحَ الدَّجَالَ، فَقَالَ: أَلَا أَخْبِرُكُمْ بِمَا هُوَ أَخَوْفُ عَلَيْكُمْ عِنْدِي مِنَ الْمَسِيحِ الدَّجَالِ؟ قَالَ، قُلْنَا: بَلَى، فَقَالَ: الشُّرُكُ الْخَفِيُّ: أَنْ يَقُومَ الرَّجُلُ يُصَلِّيَ فَيَزِينُ صَلَاتَهُ لِمَا يَرَى مِنْ نَظَرِ رَجُلٍ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب الرياء والسمعة، رقم: ٤٢٠٤

48. Abu Sa’īd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam came out from his house to us while we were talking about Dajjāl. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said:

Should I not tell you what causes me more fear for you than Dajjāl? We replied: Certainly, yes. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: *Shirk-ul-Khafī* (hidden polytheism), like a man who gets up to offer Ṣalāh and tries to improve his Ṣalāh because he sees someone looking at him. (Ibne-Mājah)

Translator's Note: Dajjāl is the great Deceiver who will appear near the end of the world and will claim to be God and will be killed by ‘Īsa alaihis Salām at his second arrival.

٤٩ - عَنْ أَبِي بِنِ كَعْبٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: بَشِّرْ هَذِهِ الْأُمَّةَ بِالسَّيِّئِ وَالرَّفْعَةِ وَالنَّصْرِ وَالتَّمَكُّنِ فِي الْأَرْضِ، وَمَنْ عَمِلَ مِنْهُمْ عَمَلًا الْآخِرَةَ لِلدُّنْيَا لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ فِي الْآخِرَةِ نَصِيبٌ. رواه أحمد ١٣٤/٥

49. Ubayy ibne-Ka‘b Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Give glad tidings to this Ummah of honour, eminence, Allāh’s help and authority on earth. Whoever amongst them is engaged in an act of the Hereafter for worldly benefit will have no share in the Hereafter. (Musnad Aḥmad)

٥٠ - عَنْ شَدَّادِ بْنِ أَوْسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ صَلَّى يُرَائِي فَقَدْ أَشْرَكَ، وَمَنْ صَامَ يُرَائِي فَقَدْ أَشْرَكَ، وَمَنْ تَصَدَّقَ يُرَائِي فَقَدْ أَشْرَكَ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه أحمد ١٢٦/٤

50. Shaddād ibne-Aws Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Anyone who offers Ṣalāt, for show, indeed he has committed *Shirk*; and anyone who fasts for show, indeed he has committed *Shirk*; and anyone who gives Ṣadaqah, for show, indeed he has committed *Shirk*. (Musnad Aḥmad)

Note: This means that if the deeds are done to be shown to the people, it amounts to ascribing those people as partners of Allāh. As such these deeds are no longer for the sake of Allāh but for the sake of those people for whom they were done. The doer of these deeds, instead of deserving reward, becomes liable for punishment.

٥١ - عَنْ شَدَّادِ بْنِ أَوْسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّهُ بَكَى، فَقِيلَ لَهُ: مَا يُبْكِيكَ؟ قَالَ: شَيْئًا سَمِعْتُهُ مِنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُهُ، فَذَكَرْتُهُ، فَأَبْكَانِي، سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: أَتَخَوُّ عَلَى أُمَّتِي

الشِّرْكَ وَالشَّهْوَةَ الْخَفِيَّةَ، قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَتَشْرِكُ أُمَّتَكَ مِنْ بَعْدِكَ؟ قَالَ: نَعَمْ، أَمَّا إِنَّهُمْ لَا يَعْبُدُونَ شَمْسًا، وَلَا قَمَرًا، وَلَا حَجَرًا، وَلَا وَتْنَا، وَلَكِنْ يُرَآؤُونَ بِأَعْمَالِهِمْ، وَالشَّهْوَةُ الْخَفِيَّةُ أَنْ يُصْبِحَ أَحَدُهُمْ صَائِمًا فَتَعْرِضَ لَهُ شَهْوَةٌ مِنْ شَهَوَاتِهِ فَيَتْرُكُ صَوْمَهُ. رواه أحمد ١٢٤/٤

51. It is said about Shaddād ibne-Aws Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū that he once started weeping. He was asked about his crying, and he replied: It is something I heard from Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam when I remember this, it makes me weep. I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: I fear for my people of *Shirk* (ascribing partners to Allāh) and Hidden Desires. Shaddad Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū says: I asked: O Rasūlallāh! Would your people be involved in *Shirk* after your death? He replied: Yes (but) they will not worship the sun, the moon, a stone, or an idol; but they will act for display (without sincerity). Hidden Desire is that one of them will start the day fasting, but when any of his desires presents itself to him, he will abandon his fast (and just satisfy his desire). (Musnad Aḥmad)

٥٢- عَنْ مُعَاذِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: يَكُونُ فِي آخِرِ الزَّمَانِ أَقْوَامٌ إِخْوَانٌ الْعَلَانِيَةِ أَعْدَاءُ السَّرِيرَةِ، فَقِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! فَكَيْفَ يَكُونُ ذَلِكَ؟ قَالَ: ذَلِكَ بَرَغْبَةٍ بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَى بَعْضٍ وَرَهْبَةٍ بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَى بَعْضٍ. رواه أحمد ٢٣٥/٥

52. Mu‘ādh Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that indeed Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: In the Last Days there will be people who will be brothers in public but enemies in secret. It was asked, O Rasūlallāh! How will this be? He replied: This will happen because of some personal gain, they will maintain (superficial) friendship and because of (hidden enmity) they will fear each other. (Musnad Aḥmad)

Note: This means that the friendship and enmity of these people will be based on their personal interests, and not to please Allāh.

٥٣- عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى الْأَشْعَرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: خَطَبَنَا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ، فَقَالَ: يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ اتَّقُوا هَذَا الشِّرْكَ، فَإِنَّهُ أَخْفَى مِنْ دَيْبِ النَّمْلِ، فَقَالَ لَهُ مَنْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَقُولَ: وَكَيْفَ نَتَّقِيهِ وَهُوَ أَخْفَى مِنْ دَيْبِ النَّمْلِ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: قُولُوا: اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ أَنْ نُشْرِكَ شَيْئًا نَعْلَمُهُ، وَنَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا لَا نَعْلَمُ. رواه أحمد ٤٠٣/٤

deeds for fame and to be seen, Allāh will make it known and humiliate him in front of all the creations on the Day of Resurrection. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٥٧- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يُؤْتَى يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِصُحُفٍ مُحْتَمَةٍ، فَتُنْصَبُ بَيْنَ يَدَيِ اللَّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى، فَيَقُولُ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى: أَلْقُوا هَذِهِ وَاقْبَلُوا هَذِهِ، فَتَقُولُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ: وَعِزَّتِكَ وَجَلَالُكَ، مَا رَأَيْنَا إِلَّا خَيْرًا، فَيَقُولُ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ: إِنَّ هَذَا كَانَ لِعَبْدٍ وَجْهِى، وَإِنِّى لَا أَقْبَلُ الْيَوْمَ إِلَّا مَا ابْتَغَى بِهِ وَجْهِى. (روى Ṭabarānī فى الأوسط بإسنادين، ورواه رجال الصحيح، ورواه البزار، مجمع الزوائد ١٠/٦٣٥)

57. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: On the Day of Judgement sealed books of deeds will be brought and presented to Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā and Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā will say: Throw these (for some) and accept these (for some). The angels will say: By Your Honour and Majesty! We have not seen anything in these books except good. To which Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall will say: Indeed those deeds were not done for Me, and today I will not accept but those deeds done only for My pleasure.

In another narration, the angels will say: By Your honour! We have not written but what he had done. Allāh will say: You say the truth but indeed his deeds were not done for My pleasure. (Ṭabarānī, Bazzār, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٥٨- عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: وَأَمَّا الْمُهْلِكَاتُ: فَشَحُّ مَطَاعٍ، وَهَوَى مُتَّبَعٍ، وَإِعْجَابُ الْمَرْءِ بِنَفْسِهِ. (وهو طرف من الحديث) رواه البزار واللفظ له والبيهقى وغيرهما وهو مروي عن جماعة من الصحابة، وأسانيده وإن كان لا يسلم شئ منها من مقال فهو بمجموعها حسن إن شاء الله تعالى، الترغيب ١/٢٨٦

58. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that indeed Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The things of destruction are: Miserliness which is obeyed; that sensual desire which is pursued; and the consideration of a person for himself as being superior to others. (Baihaqī)

٥٩- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مِنْ أَسْوَأِ النَّاسِ مَنْزِلَةً مَنْ أَذْهَبَ آخِرَتَهُ
بِدُنْيَا غَيْرِهِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٣٥٨/٥

59. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The worst of people as regards his rank in the Hereafter is he who spoils his life of the Hereafter for the worldly benefit of others. (Baihaqī)

٦٠- عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنِّي أَخَوْفُ مَا أَحَافُ عَلَى هَذِهِ
الْأُمَّةِ مُنَافِقِ عَلِيمِ اللِّسَانِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٨٤/٢

60. ‘Umar ibn al-Khaṭṭāb Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: My greatest fear for this Ummah is my fear of that hypocrite who is eloquent in speech. (Baihaqī)

Note: By hypocrite is meant a pretender (insincere person) or a *Fāsiq* (transgressor of the limits of Allāh). (Maẓāhir-e- Ḥaq)

٦١- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ قَيْسٍ الْخَزَاعِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ قَامَ رِيَاءً وَسُمْعَةً
لَمْ يَزَلْ فِي مَقْتِ اللَّهِ حَتَّى يَجْلِسَ. تفسير ابن كثير ١١٦/٣

61. ‘Abdullāh ibne-Qais Al Khuzā’ī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that indeed Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who engages in a virtuous deed intending to show off and get fame; he remains under the wrath of Allāh until he abandons that intention. (Tafsīr ibne-Kathīr)

٦٢- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ لَبَسَ ثَوْبَ شُهْرَةٍ فِي
الدُّنْيَا، لَبَسَهُ اللَّهُ ثَوْبَ مَذَلَّةٍ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ ثُمَّ أُلْهَبَ فِيهِ نَارًا. رواه ابن ماجه، باب من لبس شهرة من الثياب،
رقم: ٣٦٠٧

62. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who wears the dress of fame in this world, Allāh will clothe him with the dress of humiliation on the Day of Resurrection and will set it ablaze. (Ibne-Mājah)

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DA‘WAT AND ITS VIRTUES

VERSES OF QUR’ĀN

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā says :

And Allāh invites to the abode of peace (Paradise), and leads whom He wills, to a straight path.

Yūnus 10: 25

قال الله تعالى :
وَاللَّهُ يَدْعُوًا إِلَى دَارِ السَّلَامِ وَيَهْدِي مَنْ
يَشَاءُ إِلَى صِرَاطٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ ﴿٢٥﴾ [يونس: ٢٥]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā says:

He (Allāh) is Who has sent among

وقال تعالى :
هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي

the unlettered people a Messenger from amongst themselves, reciting to them His verses (that is by means of the Qur'ān he invites them, advises them and prepares them to accept Islam), and to purify them (from the filth of disbelief and polytheism and to cultivate excellence in conduct), and teaches them the Book and Wisdom (Sunnah). And verily they were most obviously lost in error.

Al-Jumu'ah 62: 2

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

If We willed, We could raise up a Warner in every village (in your time and would not have burdened you with the mission single-handedly, but to increase your reward We have given you this tremendous responsibility and this is indeed Allāh's bounty on you). So obey not the disbelievers, but strive against them by means of the Qur'ān with a great endeavour (the unbeliever will be happy if you do not endeavour for inviting people towards Allāh. However, you confront the unbelievers with strong reasoning from the Qur'ān and invite all, repeatedly, with great vigour).

Al-Furqān 25: 51-52

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

Invite (mankind) to the way of your Rabb (Islām) with wisdom

الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِنْهُمْ
يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ
وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ
الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ
وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلُ
لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ﴿٢﴾
[الجمعة: ٢]

وقال تعالى:
وَلَوْ شِئْنَا
لَبَعَثْنَا فِي
كُلِّ قَرْيَةٍ
نَذِيرًا ﴿٥١﴾
فَلَا تَطْعَمُ

الْكَافِرِينَ
وَجَاهِدْهُمْ بِهِ
جِهَادًا كَبِيرًا ﴿٥٢﴾
[الفرقان: ٥١-٥٢]

وقال تعالى:

ادْعُ إِلَى سَبِيلِ

(with the reasoning of the Qur'ān) and excellent preaching (with softness and humility in a manner which effects the heart).

An-Nahl 16: 125

Note: Here some of the basic principles of work of Tabligh have been explained in a brief manner.

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

And remind (by explaining and preaching the Qur'ān), for verily reminding benefits the believers.

Adh-Dhāriyāt 51: 55

وقال تعالى:

وَذَكِّرْ فَإِنَّ الذِّكْرَ يَنْفَعُ

الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٥٥﴾ [الذاريات: ٥٥]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

O (the one) wrapped up in your cloak!

Arise and warn!

And Magnify Your Rabb!

Al-Muddaththir 74: 1-3

وقال تعالى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الْمُدَّثِّرُ ﴿١﴾

قُمْ فَأَنْذِرْ ﴿٢﴾

وَرَبِّكَ فَكَبِّرْ ﴿٣﴾ [المذثر: ١-٣]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

It may be that you are going to kill yourself with grief, because they do not become believers.

Ash-Shu'arā 26: 3

وقال تعالى:

لَعَلَّكَ بَمِغْصِكَ تَكْتُمُونَ

مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٣﴾ [الشعراء: ٣]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

There has come to you a

Messenger, from amongst yourselves; and it grieves him

وقال تعالى:

لَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ رَسُولٌ

مِّنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيزٌ عَلَيْهِ

much that any harm should come to you; (he is) full of concern for each one of you, (that you may be rightly guided, and) for the believers compassionate (and) merciful. At-Taubah 9: 128

مَا عَنْتُمْ حَرِيصٌ
عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ رَءُوفٌ
رَحِيمٌ ﴿٢٨﴾ [التوبة: ١٢٨]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

So let not your soul expire in grief for them (because of their disbelief). Fāṭir 35: 8

وقال تعالى:

فَلَا تَذْهَبْ نَفْسُكَ عَلَيْهِمْ
حَسْرَتٍ ۖ [فاطر: ٨]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Verily! We sent *Nūh* (Noah) to his people (saying): Warn your people before a painful punishment comes to them.

He said: O my people! Verily! I am a plain Warner to you. (Bidding you that you)

Serve Allāh and keep your duty to Him and obey me; That He may forgive you some of your sins and respite you to an appointed term. (By the blessing of *Īmān* and piety you will be saved of torment but not death). Indeed! the term of Allah, when it comes, cannot be delayed, if you but knew. (For a long time his people paid no heed to his advice)

He said: My Rabb! Verily! I have invited my people night and day,

But all my invitation did not but add to their repugnance;

وقال تعالى:

إِنَّا أَرْسَلْنَا نُوحًا إِلَىٰ قَوْمِهِ أَنْ أَنْذِرْ قَوْمَكَ
مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يَأْتِيَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ ﴿١٠١﴾

قَالَ يَقَوْمُ إِنِّي لَكُمْ نَذِيرٌ

مُبِينٌ ﴿١٠٢﴾

أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاتَّقُوهُ وَأَطِيعُوا ۖ ﴿١٠٣﴾

يَغْفِرَ لَكُمْ مِنْ ذُنُوبِكُمْ

وَيُؤَخِّرَكُمْ إِلَىٰ أَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ۚ

إِنَّ أَجَلَ اللَّهِ

إِذَا جَاءَ لَا يُؤَخَّرُ لَوْ

كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٠٤﴾

قَالَ رَبِّ إِنِّي دَعَوْتُ قَوْمِي لَيْلًا وَنَهَارًا ﴿١٠٥﴾

فَلَمْ يَزِدْهُمْ دُعَايَ إِلَّا فِرَارًا ﴿١٠٦﴾

And indeed! Whenever, I invited them, so that You may pardon them, they thrust their fingers in their ears and covered themselves with their garments (so that they may not see me), and persisted (in their refusal) and magnified themselves in pride.

And indeed! I have invited them aloud;

And I have made public proclamation to them, and I have appealed to them in private (spared no way to guide them).

And I have said: Seek pardon of Your Rabb! He (indeed) is Ever-Forgiving.

He will open up the sky for you with plentiful rain,

And will increase you in wealth and sons, and will give you gardens and will give you streams.

What is wrong with you that you do not take heed of the greatness of Allāh

Whereas He created you in (diverse) stages?

See you not how Allāh has created the seven heavens in harmony,

And has made the moon a light therein, and made the sun a lamp?

And Allah has caused you to grow as a growth from the earth,

And afterwards He makes you

وإِنِّي كُلَّمَا دَعَوْتُهُمْ لِتَغْفِرَ لَهُمْ

جَعَلُوا أَصْصِعَهُمْ فِي عَادَانِهِمْ

وَأَسْتَعْشَوْا ثِيَابَهُمْ وَأَصْرُوا وَاسْتَكْبَرُوا

اسْتِكْبَارًا ﴿٧٠﴾

ثُمَّ إِنِّي دَعَوْتُهُمْ جَهَارًا ﴿٧١﴾

ثُمَّ إِنِّي أَعْلَنْتُ لَهُمْ وَأَسْرَرْتُ لَهُمْ

إِسْرَارًا ﴿٧٢﴾

فَقُلْتُ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ

كَانَ غَفَّارًا ﴿٧٣﴾

يُرْسِلُ السَّيْلَ عَلَيْكُمْ مَدْرَارًا ﴿٧٤﴾

وَيُمَدِّدُكُمْ بِأَمْوَالٍ وَبَنِينَ وَيَجْعَلُ لَكُمْ جَنَّاتٍ

وَيَجْعَلُ لَكُمْ أَنْهَارًا ﴿٧٥﴾

مَا لَكُمْ لَا تَرْجُونَ لِلَّهِ وَقَارًا ﴿٧٦﴾

وَقَدْ خَلَقَكُمْ أَطْوَارًا ﴿٧٧﴾

أَلَمْ تَرَوْا كَيْفَ خَلَقَ اللَّهُ سَبْعَ سَمَوَاتٍ

طَبَاقًا ﴿٧٨﴾

وَجَعَلَ الْقَمَرَ فِيهِنَّ نُورًا وَجَعَلَ الشَّمْسَ

سِرَاجًا ﴿٧٩﴾

وَاللَّهُ أَنْبَتَكُمْ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ نَبَاتًا ﴿٨٠﴾

return to it, and He will bring you forth again, a (new) forth-bringing.

And Allah has made the earth a wide expanse for you,
So that you might walk thereon on spacious paths. An-Nūḥ 71: 1-20

ثُمَّ يُعِيدُكُمْ فِيهَا وَيُخْرِجُكُمْ

إِخْرَاجًا ﴿١٨﴾

وَاللَّهُ جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ بِسَاطًا ﴿١٩﴾

لِتَسْلُكُوا مِنْهَا سُبُلًا فِجَاجًا ﴿٢٠﴾

[نوح: ١-٢٠]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Fir'aun (Pharaoh) said
(sarcastically): And what is the
Rabb of the Worlds?

وقال تعالى:

قَالَ فِرْعَوْنُ وَمَا رَبُّ

الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٦٣﴾

Mūsā 'Alaihis Salām said: The
Rabb of the heavens and the earth,
and all that is between them, if you
had but sure belief.

قَالَ رَبُّ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ

وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا إِنْ كُنْتُمْ مُوقِنِينَ ﴿٦٤﴾

Fir'aun said to those around him:
Did you hear (what nonsensical
talk)?

قَالَ لِمَنْ حَوْلَهُ أَلَا تَسْمَعُونَ ﴿٦٥﴾

(But Musa continued with the
praises of Allāh and) said: Your
Rabb and the Rabb of your fathers.

قَالَ رَبُّكُمْ وَرَبُّ آبَائِكُمْ

الْأَوَّلِينَ ﴿٦٦﴾

Fir'aun said: Lo! Your messenger
who has been sent to you is indeed
a madman!

قَالَ إِنَّ رَسُولَكُمْ الَّذِي أُرْسِلَ إِلَيْكُمْ

لَمَجْنُونٌ ﴿٦٧﴾

(But) Mūsā (went on and) said:
Rabb of the East and the West, and
all that is between them, if you but
use your reason.

قَالَ رَبُّ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا إِنْ

كُنْتُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٦٨﴾ [الشعراء: ٢٣-٢٨]

Ash-Shu'arā' 26: 23-28

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

(At another place, Allāh mentions
about the da'wat of Mūsā 'Alaihis
Salām) Fir'aun said: Who then is
the Rabb of you two, O Mūsā?

وقال تعالى:

قَالَ فَمَنْ رَبُّكُمَا يُمُوسَىٰ ﴿٦٩﴾

Mūsā 'Alaihis Salām said: Our Rabb is He Who gave to each thing its form and nature, and there upon guided it towards its fulfilments. He (Fir'aun) said: What of all the past generations?

He (Mūsā) said: Their knowledge is with my Rabb in a Record; my Rabb neither errs nor forgets. (So He has all the knowledge of all their deeds. Then Musa 'Alaihis Salām mentioned such attributes of Allāh, which are understood by one and all)

Who has made the earth for you like a bed, and has opened roads (ways and paths) for you therein and has sent down water from the sky.

Ihāh 20: 49-53

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And indeed We sent Mūsā 'Alaihis Salām with Our signs, (saying): Bring out your People from darkness into light; and remind them of the days of (adversities and comforts which they face from) Allāh. Surely! In this, there are signs for everyone who is wholly patient and deeply grateful (to Allāh).

Ibrāhīm 14: 5

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā narrates Nūh 'Alaihis Salām's address to his people: I convey to you the messages of my Rabb, and I am a trustworthy, well-wisher for you.

Al-A'raf 7: 68

قَالَ رَبُّنَا الَّذِي أَعْطَى

كُلَّ شَيْءٍ خَلْقَهُ ثُمَّ هَدَى

قَالَ فَمَا بَالُ الْقُرُونِ الْأُولَى

قَالَ عَلِمَهَا عِنْدَ

رَبِّي فِي كِتَابٍ لَا

يُضِلُّ رَبِّي

وَلَا يَنْسَى

الَّذِي جَعَلَ لَكُمُ الْأَرْضَ مَهْدًا وَسَلَكَ

لَكُمْ فِيهَا سُبُلًا وَأَنْزَلَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً

[طه: ٤٩-٥٣]

وقال تعالى:

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا مُوسَى بِآيَاتِنَا

أَنْ أَخْرِجْ قَوْمَكَ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ

إِلَى النُّورِ وَذَكِّرْهُمْ بِآيَاتِنَا

إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِّكُلِّ صَبَّارٍ

شَكُورٍ [إبراهيم: ٥]

وقال تعالى:

أَتْلِفُكُمْ رَسُولَتِ رَبِّي وَأَنَا لَكُمْ نَاصِعٌ

أَمِينٌ [الأعراف: ٦٨]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And he who (amongst the people of Fir'aun) believed said: O my people! Follow me. I will guide you to the way of right conduct.

O my people! Surely, the life of this world is nothing but a (passing) enjoyment, but the life to come is an everlasting mansion.

Whoever does evil shall be repaired the like thereof; and whoever does righteous deeds, whether male or female, and is a believer, will enter Paradise; where they will be provided therein without limit.

And O my people! How is it that I invite you to salvation, while you invite me to the Fire?

You invite me to disbelieve in Allah, and to join partners with Him, of which I have no knowledge; and I invite to the Almighty, Oft Forgiving.

No doubt you call me to one who cannot grant me my requests in this world, or in the Hereafter. And our return will be to Allah, and indeed the transgressors (of Allāh's set limits) will be the dwellers of the Fire.

And you will remember, what I say

وقال تعالى:

وَقَالَ الَّذِي ءَامَنَ يَقَوْمِ
اتَّبِعُونِ أَهْدِيكُمْ سَبِيلَ
الرَّشَادِ ﴿٥٨﴾

يَقَوْمِ إِنَّمَا هَذِهِ الْحَيَاةُ
الدُّنْيَا مَتَّعٌ وَإِنَّ الْآخِرَةَ هِيَ دَارُ
الْقَرَارِ ﴿٥٩﴾

مَنْ عَمِلَ سَيِّئَةً فَلَا يُحْزَنُ إِلَّا مِثْلَهَا
وَمَنْ عَمِلَ صَالِحًا مِّنْ ذَكَرٍ أَوْ
أُنْثَىٰ وَهُوَ مُؤْمِنٌ فَأُولَٰئِكَ
يَدْخُلُونَ الْجَنَّةَ يُرْزَقُونَ فِيهَا بِغَيْرِ
حِسَابٍ ﴿٦٠﴾

وَيَقَوْمِ مَا لِيَ أَدْعُوكُمْ إِلَى النَّجْوَىٰ
وَتَدْعُونَنِي إِلَى النَّارِ ﴿٦١﴾
تَدْعُونَنِي لِأَكْفُرَ بِاللَّهِ

وَأُشْرِكَ بِهِ مَا لَيْسَ لِي بِهِ عِلْمٌ وَأَنَا
أَدْعُوكُمْ إِلَى الْعَزِيزِ الْغَفُورِ ﴿٦٢﴾

لَا جَرَمَ أَنَّمَا تَدْعُونَنِي إِلَيْهِ لَيْسَ
لَكُمْ دَعْوَةٌ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَلَا فِي الْآخِرَةِ
وَأَنَّ مَرَدَّنَا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَأَنَّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ
هُمُ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ ﴿٦٣﴾

فَسَتَذْكُرُونَ مَا أَقُولُ لَكُمْ وَأَفَؤُضُ

to you; and I leave my affair to Allah. Verily! Allah is the most Observant of (His) slaves.

So Allah saved him from the evils, that they plotted, (against him) while an evil torment encompassed Fir'aun's folk.

Ghāfir 40: 38-45

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā narrates the advice of Luqmān to his son:

O' my dear son! Be constant in prayer, and enjoin the doing of what is right and forbid the doing of what is wrong. And bear with patience, whatever befalls you. Verily! These are some of the important commandments (ordered by Allāh).

Luqmān 31: 17

(Banī Isrā'īl were forbidden from fishing in Saturdays, some of them obeyed and others disobeyed. This incident is mentioned in these verses) Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And when a community among them said: Why do you preach to a folk whom Allah is about to destroy and punish with an awful doom. They (the preachers) said: In order to be free from guilt before Your *Rabb*, and perhaps they may fear Allāh.

And when they forgot that which they had been reminded with; We

أَمَرْتُ إِلَى اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بَصِيرٌ
بِالْعِبَادِ

فَوَقَّاهُ اللَّهُ سَيِّئَاتِ مَا مَكَرُوا
وَحَاقَ بِآلِ فِرْعَوْنَ سُوءُ الْعَذَابِ

[غافر: ٣٨-٤٥]

وقال تعالى:

يَبْنِي أَقِيمِ الصَّلَاةَ وَامُرْ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَأَنْهَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَأَصْبِرْ عَلَى مَا أَصَابَكَ
إِنَّ ذَلِكَ مِنْ عَزْمِ الْأُمُورِ

[لقمان: ١٧]

وقال تعالى:

وَإِذْ قَالَتْ أُمَّةٌ مِنْهُمْ لِمَ
تَعِظُونَ قَوْمًا اللَّهُ مُهْلِكُهُمْ
أَوْ مُعَذِّبُهُمْ عَذَابًا شَدِيدًا
قَالُوا مَعَذَرَةٌ إِلَى رَبِّكُمْ
وَلَعَلَّهُمْ يَنْفِقُونَ

فَلَمَّا نَسُوا مَا ذُكِّرُوا بِهِ أَنْجَيْنَا الَّذِينَ

rescued those who forbade wrong,
and caught those who did wrong
with a dreadful punishment,
because they transgressed the
commands of Allāh.

Al-A'rāf 7: 164-165

يَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ السُّوءِ وَأَخَذْنَا الَّذِينَ

ظَلَمُوا بِعَذَابٍ بَئِيسٍ بِمَا كَانُوا

يَفْسُقُونَ ﴿١٦٥﴾ [الأعراف: ١٦٤ - ١٦٥]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

If only there had been among the
generations that have gone before
you, any upright men who
preached against Al-Fasād
(disbelief, polytheism, and all
kinds of crimes and sins) in the
land, except the few whom We
saved from among them? The
wrongdoers pursued their worldly
pleasures and thus became guilty.
And your *Rabb* would not have
ruined those towns, without just
cause, had their inhabitants been
correcting (their own lives and the
lives of others). Hūd 11: 116-117

وقال تعالى:

فَلَوْلَا كَانَ مِنَ الْقُرُونِ مِنْ قَبْلِكُمْ أُولُوا

بِقِيَّةٍ يَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْفَسَادِ فِي الْأَرْضِ إِلَّا

قَلِيلًا مِمَّنْ أَنْجَيْنَا مِنْهُمْ وَاتَّبَعَ

الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا مَا أَتَرَفُوا فِيهِ وَكَانُوا

مُجْرِمِينَ ﴿١١٦﴾

وَمَا كَانَ رَبُّكَ لِيُهْلِكَ الْقُرَى

بِظُلْمٍ وَأَهْلُهَا مُصْلِحُونَ ﴿١١٧﴾

[هود: ١١٦ - ١١٧]

Note: The reason of the destruction of past generations, was the
absence of such wise people, who enjoined good and forbade evil,
save a few, who were saved from the torment of Allāh.

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

By the time,

Verily! Man is in loss,

Except those who believe, and do
good deeds, and recommend one
another to the truth,
and recommend one another to the
patience. Al-'Asr 103: 1-3

وقال تعالى:

وَالْعَصْرِ ﴿١﴾

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِرَبِّهِ خَسِيرٌ ﴿٢﴾

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ

وَتَوَصَّوْا بِالْحَقِّ

وَتَوَصَّوْا بِالصَّبْرِ ﴿٣﴾

[العصر]

Note: For salvation there are four essential requirements. ¹Īmān, ²Good actions, ³Recomending one another to the truth, ⁴Recomending one another to patience. In this Sūrah Muslims have been given very great guidance; which is this, that just as it is necessary to correct one's own Īmān and actions, so also it is equally important to struggle for the improvement of the Īmān and actions of other Muslims. In particular one's immediate family and relatives. Correcting one's own personal Īmān and actions is not enough. For this reason in the light of Qur'ān and Ḥadīth it is obligatory (Fārd) to order to good and forbid evil to the extent of one's capacity. In this matter not only the ordinary Muslim but many religious Muslims are negligent and think that one's personal actions are sufficient; being totally in different to what their children and family do. May Allāh give all of us the strength to act on the guidance given in this Sūrah. (Ma'āriful Qur'ān)

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

وقال تعالى:

You are the best peoples ever raised up for mankind. You enjoin to good, and forbid evil, and you believe in Allah. Ale-'Imrān 3: 110

كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ
تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ
الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ

[آل عمران: ١١٠]

Note: O' Muslims you are the best of all Nations. In the knowledge of Allāh this was destined for you from eternity. This knowledge had also been conveyed to some of the previous Prophets. Just as Rasullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam is the last, and most distinguished of all Prophets so also his Ummah will be the most distinguished Ummah. Surpassing all other Ummah (followers of other Prophets) because of its having the most honoured of all Prophets, and because it being given an everlasting and most perfect Shariat (Islamic law and regulations) never to be abrogated. All doors of knowledge and wisdom will be opened upon it. By its struggle and sacrifice all branches of Iman, righteous actions and Piety will be brought to life. This Ummah will not be limited to any particular tribe, nation, country or continent but its field of action will encompass the whole world and all aspects of human life. As though, its very existence will be for the benefit of others and as far

as is humanly possible to bring the whole of mankind to the doors of Paradise. (Tafseer-usmani)

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam :

Say: This is my Way that I call towards Allah, with clear evidence and strong belief, I and whosoever follows me (also invites towards Allāh).

Yūsuf 12: 108

وقال تعالى:

قُلْ هَذِهِ سَبِيلِي أَدْعُو إِلَى اللَّهِ عَلَى بَصِيرَةٍ أَنَا وَمَنِ اتَّبَعَنِي [يوسف: ١٠٨]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And the believers, men and women, are (supporting) friends of one another; they enjoin what is right, and forbid what is wrong, and they establish Ṣalāt and they pay the Zakāt, and they obey Allah and His Messenger. As for these, Allah will have mercy on them. Verily! Allah is Almighty, Wise.

At-Taubah 9: 71

وقال تعالى:

وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتُ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ يَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَيُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَيُطِيعُونَ اللَّهَ وَرُسُلَهُ أُولَئِكَ سَيَرْحَمُهُمُ اللَّهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزِيزٌ حَكِيمٌ [التوبة: ٧١]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And co-operate one another to righteousness and piety; and do not co-operate one another to sin and transgression.

Al-Māidah 5: 2

وقال تعالى:

وَتَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْبِرِّ وَالتَّقْوَىٰ وَلَا تَعَاوَنُوا عَلَى الْإِثْمِ وَالْعُدْوَانِ [المائدة: ٢]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And who is better in speech than him who invites (mankind) towards Allāh, and does what is right, and says: Indeed! I am of those who have surrendered (to Him).

وقال تعالى:

وَمَنْ أَحْسَنُ قَوْلًا مِّمَّن دَعَا إِلَى اللَّهِ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا وَقَالَ إِنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ

The good deed and the evil deed are not alike. Repel the evil deed with one that is good (e.g. show tolerance in reaction to anger and softness against harshness) then indeed! he between whom and you there was enmity (will become) as though he was a close friend.

But none is granted this, except those who are patient, and none is granted this, except the most fortunate.

Fuṣṣilat 41: 33-35

Note: This verse implies that the inviter to Allāh should develop in himself great patience, steadfastness, and excellent conduct.

وَلَا تَسْتَوِ الْحَسَنَةُ وَلَا السَّيِّئَةُ
أَدْفَعْ بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ فَإِذَا الَّذِي
بَيْنَكَ وَبَيْنَهُ عَدَاوَةٌ كَأَنَّهُ وَلِيٌّ

حَمِيمٌ ﴿٣٥﴾

وَمَا يُقْلِقْهَا إِلَّا الَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا وَمَا يُغْلِقْهَا
إِلَّا ذُو حَظٍّ عَظِيمٍ ﴿٣٦﴾

[فصلت: ٣٣-٣٥]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

O you who believe! Ward off yourselves and your families from a Fire, whereof the fuel is men and stones, over which are set angels strong, and severe, who disobey not (in executing) the commands they received from Allah, but do that which they are commanded.

At-Taḥrīm 66: 6

وقال تعالى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا قُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ
نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا
مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَاظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا
أَمَرَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ ﴿٦﴾

[التحریم: ٦]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Those who (the believers), if We give them power in the land, establish Ṣalāt and pay the Zakāt, and enjoin righteousness and forbid evil. And with Allāh rests the final out come of (all) events.

Al-Hajj 22: 41

وقال تعالى:

الَّذِينَ إِنْ مَكَّنَّاهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَقَامُوا
الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَوُا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَمَرُوا
بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَوْا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَلِلَّهِ
عَلْقَبَةُ الْأُمُورِ ﴿٤١﴾

[الحج: ٤١]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And strive in Allāh's cause as you

وقال تعالى:

وَجَاهِدُوا فِي اللَّهِ حَقَّ

ought to strive (with sincerity and with all efforts that His Name should be superior). He has chosen you (to convey His message by inviting mankind to the religion of Islam) and has not laid upon you in religion any hardship (that is the practice of Deen is easy). It is the religion of your father Ibrāhīm. It is He (Allāh) who has named you Muslims (obedient and loyal) both before and in this (Qur'ān); so that the Messenger (Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam) may be a witness over you, and you may be a witnesses over mankind.

Al-Ḥajj 22: 78

Note: This refers to the Day of Resurrection when the Ummahs of other Rasūls will deny that their Rasūls had invited them to the Truth about Allāh and this Day, then their Rasūl will present the *Ummah* of Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam to bear witness against them. The *Ummah* of Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam will be asked: How do you attest to this Truth, and who told you this? They will reply: Our Rasūl Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam informed us! And then, Prophet Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam will himself testify to this Truth. Some Commentators have interpreted the last part of this verse as meaning: We have picked you (*Ummah* of Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam), so that the Messenger informs you and teaches you, and you in turn, inform and teach the rest of mankind. (Kashf-ur-Raḥmān)

جِهَادِهِ هُوَ اجْتَبَاكُمْ
وَمَا جَعَلَ عَلَيْكُمْ فِي
الْدِينِ مِنْ حَرَجٍ قَلِيلَةً أَيْكُمْ
إِبْرَاهِيمَ هُوَ سَمَّاكُمْ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
مِنْ قَبْلُ وَفِي هَذَا لِيَكُونَ
الرَّسُولُ شَهِيدًا عَلَيْكُمْ
وَتَكُونُوا شُهَدَاءَ عَلَى
النَّاسِ [الحج: ٧٨]

AHĀDĪTH

١ - عَنْ مُعَاوِيَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّمَا أَنَا مُبَلِّغٌ وَاللَّهُ يَهْدِي، وَإِنَّمَا أَنَا قَاسِمٌ وَاللَّهُ يُعْطِي. رواه الطبراني في الكبير وهو حديث حسن، الجامع الصغير ١/٣٩٥

1. Mu'āwiyah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Indeed I am only a Messenger, and Allāh alone guides. And I am only a distributor, and Allāh alone bestows (knowledge). (Tabarānī-Jāmi-'uṣ-Ṣaghīr)

٢ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ لِعَمِّهِ: قُلْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، أَشْهَدُ لَكَ بِهَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، قَالَ: لَوْلَا أَنْ تُعَيِّرَنِي قُرَيْشٌ يَقُولُونَ: إِنَّمَا حَمَلَهُ عَلَى ذَلِكَ الْجَزَعُ لَأَقَرَرْتُ بِهَا عَيْنَكَ، فَأَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ: "إِنَّكَ لَا تَهْدِي مَنْ أَحْبَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ يَهْدِي مَنْ يَشَاءُ" الآية. رواه مسلم، باب الدليل على صحة إسلام ٠٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٣٥

2. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said to his uncle Abu Ṭālib (at the time of his death): Say *Lā ilāha illallāh* (None is worthy of worship but Allāh), I will stand witness for you on the Day of Resurrection. He said: Were it not for the Quraish taunting me that I testified out of fear of death, indeed I would have clobbered your eyes by saying these words. At this, Allāh revealed the verse:

إِنَّكَ لَا تَهْدِي مَنْ أَحْبَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ يَهْدِي مَنْ يَشَاءُ

Verily, you cannot guide to the right path whom you love. It is Allāh Who guides Whom He wills.

(Muslim)

٣ - عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: خَرَجَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يُرِيدُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ، وَكَانَ لَهُ صَدِيقًا فِي الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ، فَلَقِيَهُ، فَقَالَ: يَا أَبَا الْقَاسِمِ، فَقَدْتُ مِنْ مَجَالِسِ قَوْمِكَ، وَاتَّهَمُوكَ بِالْغَيْبِ لَا بَأْسَ بِهَا وَأَمَّهَاتِهَا، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: "إِنِّي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ، أَدْعُوكَ إِلَى اللَّهِ" فَلَمَّا فَرَغَ مِنْ كَلَامِهِ أَسْلَمَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ، فَانْطَلَقَ عَنْهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَمَا بَيْنَ الْأَخَشَبِيِّينَ أَحَدٌ أَكْثَرَ سُرُورًا مِنْهُ بِإِسْلَامِ أَبِي بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ، وَمَضَى أَبُو بَكْرٍ فَرَّاحَ لِعُثْمَانَ بْنِ عَفَّانَ وَطَلْحَةَ بْنِ عُبَيْدٍ وَالزُّبَيْرِ بْنِ الْعَوَّامِ وَسَعْدَ بْنَ أَبِي وَقَاصٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ، فَاسْلَمُوا، ثُمَّ جَاءَ الْعَدُوُّ لِعُثْمَانَ بْنِ مَطْعُونٍ وَأَبِي

عُبَيْدَةَ بْنِ الْجَرَّاحِ وَعَبْدَ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ عَوْفٍ وَأَبِي سَلَمَةَ بْنِ عَبْدِ الْأَسَدِ وَالْأَرْقَمَ بْنَ أَبِي الْأَرْقَمِ،
فَأَسْلَمُوا رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ. البداية والنهاية ٨٠/٣

3. 'Āishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhā narrates that: Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu came out to see Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, who was his friend during the period of ignorance. On seeing him he said: O Abul Qāsim! You are not seen in the gatherings of your people, and they accuse you of finding faults in their forefathers. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Verily, I am Allāh's Messenger, I invite you to Allāh. As soon as Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam completed his words Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu embraced Islam. When Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam returned from him, there was no one between the two mountains of Makkah who was happier than him on the acceptance of Islām by Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu.

Then, Abu Bakr went to 'Uthmān ibne-'Affān, Ṭalḥah ibne-'Ubaidullāh, Zubair ibn al-'Awwām, and Sa'd ibne-Abī Waqqās Raḍiyallāhu anhum. They accepted Islām. Then, the following day, he brought 'Uthmān ibne-Ma'azoon, Abu 'Ubaida ibne-Jarrāh, 'Abdur Raḥmān ibne-'Auf, Abu Salama ibne-'Abdul Asad, and Arqam ibne-abī Arqam and they accepted Islām; may Allāh be pleased with them. (Bidāyah-wan-Nihāyah)

Note: 'Qāsim,' is the name of the son of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam; and 'Abul Qāsim is his *Kunniyah*, the title usually given to any person with the name of his son or his parent.

٤- عَنْ أَسْمَاءَ بِنْتِ أَبِي بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ (فِي قِصَّةِ إِسْلَامِ أَبِي قُحَافَةَ): فَلَمَّا دَخَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ (مَكَّةَ يَوْمَ الْفَتْحِ) وَدَخَلَ الْمَسْجِدَ أَتَى أَبُو بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ بِأَبِيهِ يَقُودُهُ، فَلَمَّا رَأَاهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: هَلَّا تَرَكْتَ الشَّيْخَ فِي بَيْتِهِ حَتَّى أَكُونَ أَنَا آتِيهِ فِيهِ؟ فَقَالَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! هُوَ أَحَقُّ أَنْ يَمْشِيَ إِلَيْكَ مِنْ أَنْ تَمْشِيَ إِلَيْهِ، قَالَ: فَأَجْلَسَهُ بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ ثُمَّ مَسَحَ صَدْرَهُ ثُمَّ قَالَ لَهُ: أَسْلِمَ فَأَسْلَمَ، وَدَخَلَ بِهِ أَبُو بَكْرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَرَأْسُهُ كَأَنَّهَا ثَغَامَةٌ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: غَيْرُوا هَذَا مِنْ شَعْرِهِ. رواه أحمد والطبراني ورجالهما ثقات،

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4. Asmā binte Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhā narrates the story of the acceptance of Islam by Abu Quḥāfa. When Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu

'alaihi wasallam entered Makkah (on the day it was conquered) and came to Masjidul Ḥarām, Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu came there holding his father's hand. When Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saw them, he said: Why did you not leave this old man at home I would have gone to him myself? Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu replied: O Rasūlallāh! It is more of his right that he comes to you instead of your going to him. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam made him sit in front of him and stroked his chest and then said: Accept Islām, and he accepted Islām. When Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu brought his father to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, his hair were as white as the *Thaghāmah* tree; so, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Dye his hair. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

Note: *Thaghāmah* is a tree, which is as white as snow. (Majma Biḥār-ul-Anwār).

٥- عَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: لَمَّا أَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: "وَأَنْذِرْ عَشِيرَتَكَ الْأَقْرَبِينَ" [اشعراء: ٢١٤]، قَالَ أَتَى النَّبِيَّ ﷺ الصَّفَا، فَصَعِدَ عَلَيْهِ، ثُمَّ نَادَى: "يَا صَبَاحَةَ" فَاجْتَمَعَ النَّاسُ إِلَيْهِ، بَيْنَ رَجُلٍ يَجِيءُ إِلَيْهِ، وَبَيْنَ رَجُلٍ يَبْعَثُ رَسُولَهُ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَا بَنِي عَبْدِ الْمُطَّلِبِ، يَا بَنِي فِهْرٍ، يَا بَنِي يَاسِينَ، أَرَأَيْتُمْ لَوْ أَخْبَرْتُكُمْ أَنَّ خَيْلًا بِسَفْحِ هَذَا الْجَبَلِ، تُرِيدُ أَنْ تُغِيرَ عَلَيْكُمْ، صَدَقْتُمُونِي؟ قَالُوا: نَعَمْ! قَالَ: فَإِنِّي نَذِيرٌ لَكُمْ بَيْنَ يَدَيْ عَذَابٍ شَدِيدٍ، فَقَالَ أَبُو لَهَبٍ: تَبَّ لَكَ سَائِرُ الْيَوْمِ، أَمَا دَعَوْتَنَا إِلَّا لِهَذَا؟ فَأَنْزَلَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ: "تَبَّتْ يَدَا أَبِي لَهَبٍ وَتَبَّ". رواه أحمد ١٧/٥

5. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that when Allāh revealed this verse: "وَأَنْذِرْ عَشِيرَتَكَ الْأَقْرَبِينَ" (26:214), Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam climbed the mount Ṣafā and called loudly: O people! The enemy is going to attack by dawn. So everyone gathered near him; some came themselves, some sent their representatives. Then, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: O Banū 'Abdul Muṭṭalib, O Banū Fihir, O you of such and such tribe! Tell me if I give you the news that there is a cavalry behind the mountain ready to charge at you; would you believe me? All of them replied: Yes! He said: So indeed I am a warner for you, about a terrible punishment before it comes. Abu Lahab reacted: May you be perished, forever? Did you call us only for this? At this, Allāh

'Azza wa Jall revealed Surah Al Masad: تَبَّتْ يَدَا أَبِي لَهَبٍ وَتَبَّ (Perish the two hands of Abu Lahab, and perish he). (Musnad Ahmad, Al-Bidāyah-Nihāyah)

٦- عَنْ مُنِيبِ الْأَزْدِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: رَأَيْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ وَهُوَ يَقُولُ: يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ قُولُوا "لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ تَقْلِحُوا" فَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ تَقَلَّ فِي وَجْهِهِ، وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ حَثَا عَلَيْهِ التُّرَابَ، وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ سَبَّهُ حَتَّى انْتَصَفَ النَّهَارَ، فَأَقْبَلَتْ جَارِيَةٌ يَغْسُ مِنْ مَاءٍ، فَغَسَلَ وَجْهَهُ وَيَدَيْهِ، وَقَالَ: يَا بَنِيَّةُ! لَا تَخْشَى عَلَى أَبِيكَ غَيْلَةً وَلَا ذَلَّةً، فَقُلْتُ: مَنْ هَذِهِ؟ قَالُوا: زَيْنَبُ بِنْتُ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَهِيَ جَارِيَةٌ وَصِيَّةٌ. رواه الطبراني وفيه: منيب بن مدرك ولم أعرفه، وبقية رجاله ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ١٨/٦، وفي الحاشية: منيب بن مدرك ترجمه البخارى فى تاريخه وابن أبى حاتم ولم يذكر فيه جرحا ولا تعديلا

6. Munīb Al Azdī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that during my days of ignorance before achieving (Islam), I saw Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, who said: O people! Say *Lā ilāha illallāh* and be successful. Some of them spat on his face and someone threw dust at him and some abused him till mid-day. Then a girl brought a bowl of water with which he washed his face and hands, and said: O my little daughter! Do not fear of your father's sudden murder, nor disgrace. I enquired: Who is this girl? People said: She is Zainab, daughter of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. She was a beautiful girl. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٧- عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ عَثْمَانَ بْنِ حَوْشَبٍ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ جَدِّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: لَمَّا أَنْ أَظْهَرَ اللَّهُ مُحَمَّدًا أَرْسَلْتُ إِلَيْهِ أَرْبَعِينَ فَارِسًا مَعَ عَبْدِ شَرٍّ، فَقَدِمُوا عَلَيْهِ بِكِتَابِي، فَقَالَ لَهُ: مَا اسْمُكَ؟ قَالَ: عَبْدُ شَرٍّ قَالَ: بَلْ أَنْتَ عَبْدُ خَيْرٍ، فَبَايَعَهُ عَلَى الْإِسْلَامِ، وَكَتَبَ مَعَهُ الْجَوَابَ إِلَى حَوْشَبٍ ذِي ظُلَيْمٍ، فَأَمَّنَ حَوْشَبٌ. الإصابة ٣٨٢/١

7. Muḥammad ibne-‘Uthmān ibne-Ḥaushab narrates from his grandfather Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu that when Allāh blessed Muḥammad with supremacy, I sent to him a group of forty riders under ‘Abde Sharr. They reached him with my letter. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam asked him: What is your name? He replied: ‘Abdu Sharr (slave of evil). Rasūlullāh said: No, but you are ‘Abdu Khair (slave of good). Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam took his oath of allegiance in Islām and sent the reply of the letter to Hawshab Zee Zulaim through him. So Hawshab accepted Islām. (Iṣābah)

٨- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ رَأَى مِنْكُمْ مُنْكَرًا فَلْيُغَيِّرْهُ بِيَدِهِ، فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ فَبِلِسَانِهِ، فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ فَبِقَلْبِهِ، وَذَلِكَ أَضْعَفُ الْإِيمَانِ.

رواه مسلم، باب بيان كون النهي عن المنكر من الإيمان ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٧٧

8. Abu Sa'īd Al Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: Anybody amongst you who sees an evil should change it with his hands; if he is unable to do so, then with his tongue; if he is unable to do this (even), then by his heart and this is the weakest form of *Īmān*. (Muslim)

Note: To change it by his heart means that one should at least consider it a vice in his heart and should supplicate for its change.

٩- عَنِ الثُّعْمَانِ بْنِ بَشِيرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَثَلُ الْقَائِمِ عَلَى حُدُودِ اللَّهِ وَالْوَاقِعِ فِيهَا كَمَثَلِ قَوْمٍ اسْتَهَمُوا عَلَى سَفِينَةٍ، فَأَصَابَ بَعْضُهُمْ أَعْلَاهَا وَبَعْضُهُمْ أَسْفَلَهَا، فَكَانَ الَّذِينَ فِي أَسْفَلِهَا إِذَا اسْتَقُوا مِنَ الْمَاءِ مَرُّوا عَلَى مَنْ فَوْقَهُمْ، فَقَالُوا: لَوْ أَنَا خَرَقْنَا فِي نَصِينَا خَرَقًا وَلَمْ نَنُذِرْ مَنْ فَوْقَنَا، فَإِنْ يَتْرَكُوهُمْ وَمَا أَرَادُوا هَلَكُوا جَمِيعًا، وَإِنْ أَخَذُوا عَلَى أَيْدِيهِمْ نَجَوْا، وَنَجَوْا جَمِيعًا. رواه البخارى، باب هل يقرع فى القسمة والإستهام فيه؟ رقم: ٢٤٩٣

9. Nu'mān ibne-Bashīr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The example of the person abiding by Allah's orders and restrictions and the one who is not, is like those who drew lots for their position in a ship. Some of them settled in the upper part and others in the lower. When those who were in the lower part needed water, they had to pass by those (with water) who were on the upper part. So they said: Let us make a hole in our part of the ship and save troubling those who are above us. So, if the people in the upper part let them do what they intended, they would all perish. And if they stopped them with their hands, they would be saved and all would be saved. (Bukhārī)

١٠- عَنِ الْعُرْسِ بْنِ عَمِيرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ اللَّهُ لَا يُعَذِّبُ الْعَامَّةَ بِعَمَلِ الْخَاصَّةِ حَتَّى تَعْمَلَ الْخَاصَّةُ بِعَمَلِ الْعَامَّةِ أَنْ تُغَيِّرَهُ وَلَا تُغَيِّرَهُ، فَذَلِكَ حِينَ يَأْذُنُ اللَّهُ فِي هَلَاكِ الْعَامَّةِ وَالْخَاصَّةِ. رواه الطبرانى ورجاله ثقات، مجمع الروايات ٥٢٨/٧

10. 'Urs ibne-'Umairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Indeed, Allāh does not punish

everyone for the faults of a few disobedient people, until these disobedient people continue to disobey and those who are obedient, despite being able to stop them, do not stop them — at this Allāh orders for the destruction of all, the obedient and the disobedient. (Tabarānī, Majma‘-uz-Zawāid)

١١- عَنْ أَبِي بَكْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ (فِي حَدِيثِ طَوِيلٍ) عَنِ الرَّسُولِ ﷺ قَالَ: أَلَا هَلْ يَلْعَنُ قُلْنَا: نَعَمْ! قَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ أَشْهَدُ فَلْيُيْلَغِ الشَّاهِدُ الْغَائِبَ، فَإِنَّهُ رَبُّ مَبْلَغٍ يُلْعَنُ مَنْ هُوَ أَوْعَى لَهُ. رواه البخارى، باب قول النبي ﷺ لا ترجعوا بعدي كفارا ٠٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٧٠٧٨

11. Abu Bakrah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that (at the conclusion of the sermon of Hajj, on 10 Dhil Hajjah, at Minā) Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Have I conveyed to you the commandments of Allāh? We all said: Yes. He said: O Allāh! Be witness to this, then he said: Let him who is present here convey to him who is absent; for verily its so happens that one to whom a message is conveyed will preserve it (that is understand and remember it with all its implications including Da‘wat) more than he who conveys it. (Bukhārī)

Note: This *ḥadīth* clearly stresses that whoever hears (knows) a command of Allāh and His Messenger, he should not withhold this to himself, but he must convey it to others. Perhaps, the people who are conveyed will fulfil the obligation of the message better than the person who has conveyed it to them. (Faṭḥul Bārī)

١٢- عَنْ حُذَيْفَةَ بْنِ الْيَمَانِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: وَالَّذِي نَفْسِي بِيَدِهِ لَتَأْمُرَنَّ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَلَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ، أَوْ لَيُوشِكَنَّ اللَّهُ أَنْ يَبْعَثَ عَلَيْكُمْ عِقَابًا مِنْهُ ثُمَّ تَدْعُونَهُ فَلَا يَسْتَجِيبُ لَكُمْ. رواه الترمذى وقال: هذا حديث حسن، باب ما جاء في الأمر بالمعروف والنهي عن المنكر، رقم: ٢١٦

12. Hudhaifah ibn al-Yamān Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: By Him, in Whose Hand is my life, undoubtedly you must enjoin what is good and forbid what is evil or else Allāh will certainly send upon you a Punishment; then you will supplicate to him and He will not accept it. (Tirmidhī)

١٣- عَنْ زَيْنَبِ بِنْتِ جَحْشٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: قُلْتُ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَفْنَهْلِكَ وَفِينَا

الصَّالِحُونَ؟ قَالَ: نَعَمْ إِذَا كَثُرَ الْخَبْثُ. رواه البخارى، باب يا جوج وما جوج، رقم: ٧١٣٥

13. Zainab binte Jahsh Radiallāhu ‘anha narrates: I asked: O Rasūlallāh! Would we perish when we have the righteous among us? He replied: Yes! When wickedness prevails. (Bukhārī)

١٤ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ غُلَامٌ يَهُودِيٌّ يَخْدُمُ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ فَمَرِضَ، فَأَتَاهُ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ يَعُودُهُ، فَقَعَدَ عِنْدَ رَأْسِهِ فَقَالَ لَهُ: أَسْلِمَ، فَنَظَرَ إِلَى أَبِيهِ وَهُوَ عِنْدَهُ فَقَالَ لَهُ: أَطْعَمَ أَبَا الْقَاسِمِ فَأَسْلَمَ فَخَرَجَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ وَهُوَ يَقُولُ: الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنْقَذَهُ مِنَ النَّارِ. رواه البخارى، باب إذا أسلم

المسي فمات، ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٣٥٦

14. Anas Radiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a young Jew, who used to serve Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, fell ill. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam visited him and sat by his head and said to him: Accept Islām. He looked at his father, who was beside him. His father said: Obey Abul Qasim. So he accepted Islām. At this Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam came out saying: All praise be to Allāh, Who has saved him from the Fire. (Bukhārī)

١٥ - عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ هَذَا الْخَيْرَ خَزَائِنُ، وَلِتِلْكَ الْخَزَائِنِ مَفَاتِيحُ، فَطُوبَى لِعَبْدٍ جَعَلَهُ اللَّهُ مِفْتَاحًا لِلْخَيْرِ مَغْلَقًا لِلشَّرِّ، وَوَيْلٌ لِعَبْدٍ جَعَلَهُ اللَّهُ مِفْتَاحًا لِلشَّرِّ مَغْلَقًا لِلْخَيْرِ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب من كان مفتاحا للخير رقم: ٢٣٨

15. Sahl ibne-Sa'd Radiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Indeed, this *Khair* (Deen of Islām) is treasures, and these treasures have keys. Glad tidings for a slave (of Allāh) whom Allāh has made a key for good and a lock for evil; and woe to a slave (of Allāh) whom Allāh has made a key for evil and a lock for good. (Ibne-Mājah)

١٦ - عَنْ جَرِيرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: وَلَقَدْ شَكَوْتُ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ أَنِّي لَا أَتَيْتُ عَلَى الْخَيْلِ، فَضَرَبَ بِيَدِهِ فِي صَدْرِي وَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ بَنِّتْهُ وَاجْعَلْهُ هَادِيًا مَهْدِيًّا. رواه البخارى، باب من لا يثبت على الخيل ٣/١١٠٤، دار ابن كثير، دمشق

16. Jarīr Radiyallāhu ‘anhu says: I complained to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam that I cannot ride a horse well. He stroked my chest with his hand and said: O Allāh! Make him a good rider, let him guide others to the right path and keep him on the right path. (Bukhārī)

١٧- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَا يَخْفِرُ أَحَدُكُمْ نَفْسَهُ قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! كَيْفَ يَخْفِرُ أَحَدُنَا نَفْسَهُ؟ قَالَ: يَرَى أَمْرًا، اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ فِيهِ مَقَالٌ، ثُمَّ لَا يَقُولُ فِيهِ، فَيَقُولُ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ لَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ: مَا مَنَعَكَ أَنْ تَقُولَ فِي كَذَا وَكَذَا؟ فَيَقُولُ: خَشْيَةُ النَّاسِ، فَيَقُولُ: فَإِيَّايَ، كُنْتَ أَحَقَّ أَنْ تَخْشَى. رواه ابن ماجه، باب الأمر بالمعروف والنهي عن المنكر، رقم: ٤٠٠٨

17. Abu Sa'īd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: None of you should belittle himself. The Ṣaḥābah asked: O Rasūlallāh! How can anyone of us belittle himself? He said: He, who sees a matter concerning Allāh about which he should say something, but he does not speak — Allāh, the Almighty and Majestic, will ask him on the Day of Resurrection: What prevented you from saying anything about such and such? He would say: Out of fear of people. Then Allāh will say: Rather it is I whom you should have feared more. (Ibne-Mājah)

Note: The responsibility placed by Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā to curb evil, if not exercised out of fear of people, is belittling oneself.

١٨- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ أَوَّلَ مَا دَخَلَ النَّقْصُ عَلَى بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ كَانَ الرَّجُلُ يَلْقَى الرَّجُلَ فَيَقُولُ: يَا هَذَا! اتَّقِ اللَّهَ وَدَعْ مَا تَصْنَعُ فَإِنَّهُ لَا يَحِلُّ لَكَ، ثُمَّ يَلْقَاهُ مِنَ الْغَدِ فَلَا يَمْنَعُهُ ذَلِكَ أَنْ يَكُونَ أَكْبَلَهُ وَشَرِيئَهُ وَقَعِيدَهُ، فَلَمَّا فَعَلُوا ذَلِكَ ضَرَبَ اللَّهُ قُلُوبَ بَعْضِهِمْ بِبَعْضٍ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: «لِعَنِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ عَلَى لِسَانِ دَاوُدَ وَعِيسَى بْنِ مَرْيَمَ» - إِلَى قَوْلِهِ - «فَسَقُونَ» (المائدة: ٧٨-٨١) ثُمَّ قَالَ: كَلَّا وَاللَّهِ! لَتَأْمُرَنَّ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَلَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ، وَلَتَأْخُذَنَّ عَلَى يَدَيِ الظَّالِمِ، وَلَتَأْطِرُنَّهُ عَلَى الْحَقِّ أَطْرًا، وَلَتَقْصُرُنَّهُ عَلَى الْحَقِّ قَصْرًا. رواه أبو داود، باب الأمر والنهي، رقم: ٤٣٣٦

18. 'Abdullāh ibne-Mas'ūd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The decline of Banī Isrā'īl started when a (pious) man among them met any other man (involved in sin), the former said to latter: O you! Fear Allāh, and refrain from what you are committing, since it is not allowed for you. Then when he met him the next day this would not stop him (pious man) from eating, drinking and sitting with the sinner. When this happened frequently, (and also enjoining good and forbidding from evil was given up), Allāh made the hearts of the obedient similar to

the hearts of the disobedient. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam then recited the verse:

لُعِنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَآئِيلَ عَلَى لِسَانِ دَاوُدَ وَعِيسَى بْنِ مَرْيَمَ ؕ ذَلِكَ بِمَا عَصَوْا وَكَانُوا يَعْتَدُونَ ﴿١﴾ كَانُوا لَا يَتَنَاهَوْنَ عَنْ مُتْكَرٍ فَعَلُوهُ ؕ لَبِئْسَ مَا كَانُوا يَفْعَلُونَ ﴿٢﴾ تَرَى كَثِيرًا مِّنْهُمْ يَتَوَلَّوْنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا ؕ لَبِئْسَ مَا قَدَّمَتْ لَهُمْ أَنفُسُهُمْ أَنْ سَخِطَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَفِي الْعَذَابِ هُمْ خَالِدُونَ ﴿٣﴾ وَلَوْ كَانُوا يُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالنَّبِيِّ وَمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْهِ مَا اتَّخَذُوا هُمْ أَوْلِيَآءَ وَلَكِنَّ كَثِيرًا مِّنْهُمْ فَاسِقُونَ ﴿٤﴾

Those among the children of Israel who disbelieved were cursed by the tongue of Dāwūd and ‘Īsā son of Maryam. That was because they disobeyed (Allāh and the Messengers) and were ever transgressing beyond bounds. They used not to forbid one another from Al-Munkar (wrong, evil-doing, sins, polytheism, disbelief) which they committed. Bad indeed was what they used to do. You see many of them taking the disbelievers as their *Auliya*’ (protectors and helpers). Evil indeed is that which their own selves have sent forward before them; for that (reason) Allāh’s Wrath fell upon them, and in torment they will abide. And had they believed in Allāh and in the prophet (Muhammad Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam) and in what has been revealed to him, never would they taken them (the disbelievers) as *Auliya*’ (protectors and helpers); but many of them are the *Fāsiqūn* (rebellious, disobedient) to Allāh.

(Al-Māida 5:78-81)

Thereafter, he commanded: Certainly I swear by Allāh, you must indeed enjoin unto good and you must indeed forbid from evil, and you must indeed catch hold of the hand of the oppressor and you must indeed persuade him to act justly, and you must indeed withhold him to the truth. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٩- عَنْ أَبِي بَكْرٍ الصِّدِّيقِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ! إِنَّكُمْ تَقْرَأُونَ هَذِهِ الْآيَةَ: ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا عَلَيْكُمْ أَنْفُسُكُمْ ۚ لَا يَضُرُّكُمْ مِّنْ ضَلَّ إِذَا اهْتَدَيْتُمْ﴾ (المائدة: ١٠٥)، وَإِنِّي سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ النَّاسَ إِذَا رَأَوْا الظَّالِمَ فَلَمْ يَأْخُذُوا عَلَى يَدَيْهِ أَوْشَكَ أَنْ يَعْمَهُمُ اللَّهُ بِعِقَابٍ مِّنْهُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: حديث صحيح، باب ما جاء في نزول العذاب إذا لم يغير المنكر، رقم: ٢١٦٨

19. Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu said: O people! Verily you recite this verse:

لِيَأْتِيَهُمُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا عَلَيْكُمْ أَنْفُسَكُمْ ۚ لَا يَضُرُّكُمْ مَن ضَلَّ إِذَا اهْتَدَيْتُمْ

O you who believe! You guard your own souls. He who has gone astray cannot harm you, if you are rightly guided.

And I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Indeed when people see an oppressor but do not stop him, then it is likely that Allāh will overtake them with an all encompassing Punishment. (Tirmidhī)

Note: Abu Bakr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu meant that if anyone assumes from the above verse that “when a man is on the right path, then it is not necessary for him to enjoin unto good and forbid from evil; because he will not be questioned about others”, then this is a wrong interpretation of this verse. As far as possible, one should forbid evil and this is the responsibility of every individual of the *Ummah*. The right meaning of the verse is: “O you who believe! Care for your own reformation; you follow your *Deen* in such a way that you are reforming yourself and also endeavouring to reform others. If someone, despite your efforts to reform him, goes astray, then there is no harm for you”. (Bayān-ul-Qur’ān)

٢٠- عَنْ حُذَيْفَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: تُعْرَضُ الْقُلُوبُ عَلَى الْقُلُوبِ كَالْحَصِيرِ عُودًا عُودًا، فَأَيُّ قَلْبٍ أَشْرَبَهَا نَكَتَ فِيهِ نُكْتَةٌ سَوْدَاءٌ، وَأَيُّ قَلْبٍ أَنْكَرَهَا نَكَتَ فِيهِ نُكْتَةٌ بَيَاضَاءُ، حَتَّى تَصِيرَ عَلَى قَلْبَيْنِ، عَلَى أَيْبَضَ مِثْلِ الصَّفَا، فَلَا تَضُرُّهُ فِتْنَةٌ مَا دَامَتِ السَّمَوَاتُ وَالْأَرْضُ، وَالْآخَرُ أَسْوَدُ مِرْبَادًا كَالْكُوزِ مُجَحَّيًّا لَا يَعْرِفُ مَعْرُوفًا وَلَا يَنْكُرُ مُنْكَرًا إِلَّا مَا أَشْرَبَ مِنْ هَوَاةٍ. رواه مسلم، باب رفع الأمانة والإيمان من بعض القلوب، ٣٦٩، رقم.

20. Hudhaifah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Hearts will be exposed to temptations as a mat is woven stick-by-stick. Any heart that accepts these temptations gets a black spot; and any heart that rejects these, gets a white spot. As a result, hearts will become of two kinds; one white like marble. So no temptation could harm it as long as the heavens and the earth stand. And the other heart is black and dusty like an overturned bowl – (the heart gets blackened by excessive sins and, as an overturned bowl cannot retain anything in it, similarly there will be no hatred for sins, and the light of *Īmān* will not remain in this heart). Neither will it recognize good as good nor evil as evil, but will pursue its desires. (Muslim)

٢١- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَيَّةَ الشَّعْبَانِيِّ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: سَأَلْتُ أَبَا ثَعْلَبَةَ الْخَشَنِيَّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ فَقُلْتُ: يَا أَبَا ثَعْلَبَةَ! كَيْفَ تَقُولُ فِي هَذِهِ الْآيَةِ؟ (عَلَيْكُمْ أَنْفُسُكُمْ) قَالَ: أَمَّا وَاللَّهِ لَقَدْ سَأَلْتُ عَنْهَا خَيْرًا، سَأَلْتُ عَنْهَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالَ: بَلِ أَنْتُمْ وَافٍ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنَاهَاوُا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ، حَتَّى إِذَا رَأَيْتَ شَحًّا مُطَاعًا، وَهَوًى مُتَّبَعًا، وَدُنْيَا مُؤَثَّرَةً، وَإِعْجَابَ كُلِّ ذِي رَأْيٍ بِرَأْيِهِ، فَعَلَيْكَ يَغْنَى بِنَفْسِكَ، وَدَغَ عَنْكَ الْعَوَامُ، فَإِنْ مِنْ وَرَاءِكُمْ أَيَّامَ الصَّبْرِ، الصَّبْرُ فِيهِ مِثْلُ قَبْضٍ عَلَى الْجَمْرِ، لِلْعَامِلِ فِيهِمْ مِثْلُ أَجْرِ خَمْسِينَ رَجُلًا يَعْمَلُونَ مِثْلَ عَمَلِهِ. فَقَالَ (أَبُو ثَعْلَبَةَ): يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَجْرُ خَمْسِينَ مِنْهُمْ، قَالَ: أَجْرُ خَمْسِينَ مِنْكُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب الأمر والنهي، رقم: ٤٣٤١

21. Abu Umayyah Sha'bānī Rahimahullāhu says that he asked Abu Tha'labah Al Khushānī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu: O Abu Tha'labah! What do you say about this verse عَلَيْكُمْ أَنْفُسُكُمْ (guard yourselves)? He replied: I swear by Allāh! You have indeed asked a man who knows about it very well. I asked Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam about this verse. So, he said: But enjoin one another to do good and forbid from evil, until you see miserliness being obeyed; passions being followed; worldly matters being preferred; every person assuming his own opinion to be the only right one; then care for yourself, and leave what people in general are doing. For, surely, thereafter shall come days which will require endurance when holding to *Deen* will be like grasping a burning coal. The one amongst them, who acts rightly (during that period), will get the reward equal to that of fifty persons. Abu Tha'labah asked: O Rasūlallāh! The reward of fifty of them! He replied: The reward of fifty of you. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: This certainly does not mean that those in the later part of the *Ummah* can excel the *Ṣaḥābah*, because the *Ṣaḥābah* are undoubtedly superior to the whole *Ummah*. From this *ḥadīth*, it is evident that enjoining good and forbidding from evil is essential. However, if such a time comes when the ability to accept the truth is totally lost, then it is ordained to remain in seclusion. However, by the grace of Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā that time has not come as yet, and the *Ummah* has ample ability to accept the truth.

٢٢- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِيَّاكُمْ وَالْجُلُوسَ بِالطَّرِيقَاتِ فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مَا لَنَا مِنْ مَجَالِسِنَا بُدُّ نَتَحَدَّثُ فِيهَا، فَقَالَ: فَإِذَا آبَيْتُمْ إِلَّا الْمَجْلِسَ

فَاعْطُوا الطَّرِيقَ حَقَّهُ، قَالُوا: وَمَا حَقُّ الطَّرِيقِ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: غَضُّ الْبَصَرِ، وَكَفُّ الْأَدَى، وَرَدُّ السَّلَامِ، وَالْأَمْرُ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ، وَالنَّهْيُ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ. رواه البخارى، باب قول الله تعالى يا أيها الذين امنوا

لا تدخلوا بيوتنا ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٢٢٩

22. Abu Sa'īd Al Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Avoid sitting on the ways. The Ṣaḥābah said: O Rasūlallāh! It is difficult for us to avoid this, as we sit there and discuss matters. He said: If you have no other alternative but to sit, then fulfil the rights of the way. Ṣaḥābah asked: What are the rights of the way, O Rasūlallāh! He replied: Lowering the eyes, removing harmful things, replying to *Salām*, and enjoining good and forbidding from evil. (Bukhārī)

Note: Ṣaḥābah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū meant that it was very difficult for them to avoid sitting on the ways, as they did not have any other place where they could sit together. Therefore, when some of them used to get together, they would sit on the ways to consult each other about their worldly and religious matters and enquired about one another's welfare. If someone was ill, they would advise treatment; should there be some unpleasantness between them, they would make a reconciliation. (Mazāhir-e-Ḥaq)

٢٣- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَيْسَ مِنَّا مَنْ لَمْ يَرْحَمْ صَغِيرَنَا وَيُوقِرْ كَبِيرَنَا وَيَأْمُرْ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَيَنْهَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ. رواه الترمذى وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب ما

جاء فى رحمة الصبيان، رقم: ١٩٢١

23. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhūma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He is not one of us who does not show kindness to our youngsters, does not show respect to our elders, and does not enjoin unto good and does not forbid from evil. (Tirmidhi)

٢٤- عَنْ حُذَيْفَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: فِتْنَةُ الرَّجُلِ فِي أَهْلِهِ وَمَالِهِ وَوَلَدِهِ وَجَارِهِ، تُكْفَرُهَا الصَّلَاةُ وَالصَّدَقَةُ وَالْأَمْرُ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَالنَّهْيُ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ. (الحديث) رواه البخارى،

باب الفتنه التى تموج كموج البحر، رقم: ٧٠٩٦

24. Ḥudhaifah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: A man's wrongdoing regarding his family, his property, his children, and his neighbours may be atoned by offering

Ṣalāt, Ṣadaqah and enjoining good and forbidding from evil. (Bukhārī)

٢٥- عَنْ جَابِرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَوْحَى اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ إِلَى جِبْرِيلَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ أَنْ أَقْلِبَ مَدِينَةَ كَذَا وَكَذَا بِأَهْلِهَا، قَالَ: يَا رَبِّ إِنَّ فِيهِمْ عَبْدَكَ فَلَانًا لَمْ يَعْصِكَ طَرَفَةً عَيْنٍ، قَالَ: فَقَالَ: أَقْلِبْهَا عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَيْهِمْ فَإِنَّ وَجْهَهُ لَمْ يَتَمَعَّرْ فِي سَاعَةٍ قَطُّ. مشكاة المصابيح، رقم: ٥١٥٢

25. Jābir Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall commanded Jibrāil to overturn such and such city with its inhabitants. Jibrāil ‘Alaihis Salām submitted: O my Rabb! Amongst them is your slave who has never disobeyed You, even to the blinking of an eye. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said that Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā commanded Jibrāil: Overturn the city on him and on all the inhabitants; for his face did not ever change colour for a while on My disobediences. (Mishkāṭ-ul-Maṣābīḥ)

Note: The order of Allāh to “overturn the city on him,” implies that, though this slave of mine did not disobey Me, but is this any small crime that people continued to sin in front of him and he remained satisfied and unconcerned. People continued to disobey Allāh and evil spread despite which he did not even frown in displeasure. (Mirqāt)

٢٦- عَنْ دُرَّةِ ابْنَةِ أَبِي لَهَبٍ قَالَتْ: قَامَ رَجُلٌ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ وَهُوَ عَلَى الْمِنْبَرِ فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَيُّ النَّاسِ خَيْرٌ؟ قَالَ: خَيْرُ النَّاسِ أَقْرَأُهُمْ وَأَتَقَاهُمْ وَأَمْرُهُمْ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَأَنْهَاهُمْ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَأَوْصَلَهُمْ لِلرَّحِمِ. رواه أحمد وهذا لفظه، والطبرانی ورجالهما ثقات وفي بعضهم كلام لا يضر، مجمع الزوائد ٥٢٠/٧

26. Durrah binte-Abī Lahab Radiallāhu ‘anha narrates that a man stood before Nabi Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam when he was seated on the pulpit and asked: O Rasūlallāh! Who is the best amongst the people? He replied: The best amongst the people is he who recites the Qur’ān, the most; and fears Allāh, the most; and enjoins unto good and forbids from evil, the most; and strengthens the ties of kinship, the most. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٢٧- عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ نَبِيَّ اللَّهِ ﷺ كَتَبَ إِلَى كِسْرَى، وَإِلَى قَيْصَرٍ، وَإِلَى النَّجَاشِيِّ،

وَالِى كُلِّ جَبَّارٍ، يَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَى اللَّهِ تَعَالَى، وَلَيْسَ بِالنَّجَاشِيِّ الَّذِى صَلَّى عَلَيْهِ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ. رواه مسلم.

باب كتب النبي ﷺ إلى ملوك الكفار ١٠٠٠، رقم: ٤٦٠٩

27. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam wrote to the Persian emperor, *Kisrā*, to the Roman emperor, *Qaiṣar*, to the king of Ethiopia, *An-Najāshī*, and to every mighty dictator, inviting them to Allāh. This *Najāshī* was not the same for whom Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam offered funeral Ṣalāt. (Muslim)

٢٨ - عَنِ الْعُرْسِ بْنِ عَمِيرَةَ الْكِنْدِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا عَمِلْتَ الْخَطِيئَةَ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَانَ مَنْ شَهِدَهَا فَكْرَهَا كَانَ كَمَنْ غَابَ عَنْهَا، وَمَنْ غَابَ عَنْهَا فَرَضِيهَا كَانَ كَمَنْ

شَهِدَهَا. رواه أبو داود، باب الأمر والنهي، رقم: ٤٣٤٥

28. ‘Urs ibne-‘Umairah Al Kindī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: When a sin is committed on the earth; he who sees it and disapproves it, will be like the one who was not present. And the one who was not present when the sin was committed but approves of it, will be like the one who was present there. (Abu Dāwūd)

٢٩ - عَنْ جَابِرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَثَلِي وَمَثَلُكُمْ كَمَثَلِ رَجُلٍ أَوْقَدَ نَارًا، فَجَعَلَ الْجَنَادِبُ وَالْفَرَاشُ يَقَعْنَ فِيهَا وَهُوَ يَذُبُّهُنَّ عَنْهَا، وَأَنَا أَخَذَ بِحُجَزِكُمْ عَنِ النَّارِ وَأَنْتُمْ

تَفَلَّتُونَ مِنْ يَدِي. رواه مسلم، باب شقيقته ﷺ على أمته ١٠٠٠، رقم: ٥٩٥٨

29. Jābir Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: my example and that of yours is like that of a person who ignites a fire and moths and other insects start falling into it. He tries to prevent them from falling in the fire. Similarly, I am grasping your waists and holding you back from the fire, and you are trying to escape from my hands (into the fire). (Muslim)

Note: This ḥadīth reflects the intense desire in the heart of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam to save the *Ummah* from Hell-Fire.

٣٠ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَأَنِّي أَنْظُرُ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ يَحْكِي نَبِيًّا مِنَ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ، ضَرْبَهُ

قَوْمُهُ فَأَدْمَوَهُ وَهُوَ يَمْسَحُ الدَّمَ عَنْ وَجْهِهِ وَيَقُولُ: اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِقَوْمِي فَإِنَّهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ. رواه

البخارى، كتاب أحاديث الأنبياء، رقم: ٣٤٧٧

30. 'Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that it is as fresh in my memory as if I am looking at Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam when he narrated about an apostle from amongst the apostles. His people beat him so severely that he was blood stained; he was cleaning the blood from his face and saying: O Allāh! Forgive my people for indeed they do not know. (Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam also experienced such an incident in the Battle of Uḥud). (Bukhārī)

٣١- عَنْ هِنْدِ بْنِ أَبِي هَالَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ مُتَوَاصِلَ الْأَحْزَانِ دَائِمَ الْفِكْرَةِ لَيْسَتْ لَهُ رَاحَةٌ طَوِيلَ السَّكْتِ لَا يَتَكَلَّمُ فِي غَيْرِ حَاجَةٍ. (وهو طرف من الرواية) الشمال

المحمدية والخصائل المصطفوية، رقم: ٢٢٦

31. Hind ibne-Abī Hāla Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu (while explaining the qualities of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam) narrated that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam was continually grief-stricken; all the time thoughtful and concerned; there was no comfort for him; he had prolonged periods of silence and he would not speak unless necessary. (Tirmidhī)

٣٢- عَنْ جَابِرِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَحْرَقْنَا نِبَالَ ثَقِيفٍ فَأَدْعُ اللَّهَ عَلَيْهِمْ فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ اهْدِ ثَقِيفًا. رواه الترمذى وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح غريب، باب فى ثقيف وبنى حنيفة،

رقم: ٣٩٤٢

32. Jābir Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Ṣahabah complained: O Rasūlallāh! The arrows of (tribe of) Thaqīf have tortured us, so curse them. He said: O Allāh! Bless the tribe of Thaqīf with Hidayat (Guidance). (Tirmidhī)

٣٣- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو بْنِ الْعَاصِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ تَلَا قَوْلَ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى فِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ ﴿رَبِّ إِنَّهُنَّ أَصْلَلْنَ كَثِيرًا مِّنَ النَّاسِ ۖ فَمَنْ تَبِعَنِي فَإِنَّهُ مِنِّي﴾ (ابراهيم: ٣٦) الْآيَةَ وَقَالَ عِيسَى عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ ﴿إِنْ تُعَذِّبُهُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ عَبْدُكَ ۚ وَإِنْ تَغْفِرَ لَهُمْ فَإِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ﴾ (المائدة: ١١٨) فَرَفَعَ يَدَيْهِ وَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ أُمَّتِي أُمَّتِي، وَبِكِي، فَقَالَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ: يَا

جِبْرِيلُ! اذْهَبْ إِلَى مُحَمَّدٍ، وَرَبُّكَ أَعْلَمُ، فَاسْأَلْهُ مَا يُنْكِيكَ؟ فَأَتَاهُ جِبْرِيلُ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ فَسَأَلَهُ، فَأَخْبَرَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ بِمَا قَالَ، وَهُوَ أَعْلَمُ، فَقَالَ اللَّهُ: يَا جِبْرِيلُ! اذْهَبْ إِلَى مُحَمَّدٍ فَقُلْ: إِنَّا سَنُرْضِيكَ فِي أَمَّتِكَ وَلَا نَسْؤُكَ. رواه مسلم، باب دعاء النبي ﷺ لأمته ٥٠٠٠، رقم: ٤٩٩

33. Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr ibnil ‘Āas Radiallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam recited the verses of Al-Qur’ān in which Allāh Ta‘ālā mentions the supplication of Ibrāhīm ‘Alaihis Salām:

رَبِّ إِنَّهُمْ أَضَلُّوا كَثِيرًا مِّنَ النَّاسِ ۖ فَمَنْ تَبِعَنِي فَإِنَّهُ مِنِّي ۖ وَمَنْ عَصَانِي فَإِنَّكَ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ

O My Rabb! They (idols) have led many of mankind astray. But whosoever followed me, he verily is of me. And whosoever disobeyed me. Indeed, You are Forgiving, Merciful.

(Ibrāhīm 14: 36)

He also recited the verse that mentions the supplication of ‘Īsa ‘Alaihis Salām:

إِن تُعَذِّبْهُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ عِبَادُكَ ۚ وَإِن تَغْفِرْ لَهُمْ فَإِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَزِيزُ الْحَكِيمُ

If You punish them, they are Your slaves, and if You forgive them, verily You are the Mighty, the Wise. (Al-Mā’idah 5: 118)

Then he raised his hands and prayed “O Allāh! My *Ummah*! My *Ummah*!” and wept. So, Allāh the Almighty and Majestic said: O Jibrāil! Go to Muḥammad, though Your Rabb knows everything; still ask, what makes you weep? Jibrāil ‘Alaihis Salām came to him and asked the same. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told Jibrāil (about his anxiety for his *Ummah*). (Jibrāil ‘Alaihis Salām went to Allāh Ta‘ālā Who knows everthing and conveyed that to Him). Allāh said: O Jibrāil! Go to Muḥammad and say that, verily We will please you soon in respect of your *Ummah* and would not grieve you. (Muslim)

Note: In certain narrations it is mentioned, that upon listening to the message of Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā from Jibrāil ‘Alaihis Salām, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: I would be satisfied and pleased only when none of my followers remains in Hell. Sending Jibrāil ‘Alaihis Salām to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi asallam, and asking the reason of his weeping, while Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta‘ālā knows each and everything, was just for honouring and comforting him. (Ma‘āriful Ḥadīth)

٣٤- عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: لَمَّا رَأَيْتُ مِنَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ طِيبَ نَفْسٍ قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! اذْعُ اللَّهَ لِي، قَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِعَائِشَةَ مَا تَقَدَّمَ مِنْ ذَنْبِهَا وَمَا تَأَخَّرَ، وَمَا أَسْرَتْ وَمَا أَعْلَنْتَ فَضَحِكْتَ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا حَتَّى سَقَطَ رَأْسُهَا فِي حَجْرِهَا مِنَ الضَّحْكِ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَيْسُرُكَ دُعَائِي؟ فَقَالَتْ: وَمَا لِي لَا يَسُرُّنِي دُعَاؤُكَ؟ فَقَالَ: وَاللَّهِ إِنَّهَا لَدُعْوَتِي لِأُمَّتِي

فِي كُلِّ صَلَاةٍ. رواه البزار ورجاله رجال الصحيح غير أحمد بن منصور الرمادى وهو ثقة، مجمع الزوائد ٩/٣٩٠

34. 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhā narrates that once I saw Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam delighted, I said: O Rasūlallāh! Supplicate to Allah for me. He supplicated: "O Allāh! Forgive 'Ā'ishah, all her past sins and future sins, and her secret sins and her open sins." Hearing this 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhā laughed so much in pleasure that her head touched her lap. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Are you very happy with my *du'ā*? She replied: Why should I not be happy with your *du'ā* for me! He said: I swear by Allāh! This is my *du'ā* for my *Ummah* in every Ṣalāt. (Bazzār, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

٣٥- عَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ عَوْفٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ الدِّينَ بَدَأَ غَرِيْبًا وَيَرْجِعُ غَرِيْبًا فَطُوبَى لِلْغُرَبَاءِ الَّذِينَ يُصْلِحُونَ مَا أَفْسَدَ النَّاسُ مِنْ بَعْدِي مِنْ سُنَّتِي. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه

الترمذى وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب ما جاء أن الإسلام بدأ غريباً ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٦٣٠

35. 'Amr ibne-'Auf Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Indeed, *Deen* (Islam) started as a stranger and will again become a stranger. So, glad tidings for those who would be considered as strangers, because of *Deen*. They would revive my *Sunnah* which had been spoiled by the people after me. (Tirmidhī)

٣٦- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قِيلَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! اذْعُ عَلَى الْمُشْرِكِينَ، قَالَ: إِنِّي لَمْ أُبْعَثْ لَعَنًا وَإِنَّمَا بُعِثْتُ رَحْمَةً. رواه مسلم، باب النهي عن لعن الدواب وغيرها، رقم: ٦٦١٣

36. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that it was requested: O Rasūlallāh! Curse the polytheists. He said: I have not been sent as one who curses; Indeed, I have been sent only as a mercy. (Muslim)

٣٧- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَسْرُوا وَلَا تَعْسَرُوا، وَسَكَنُوا

وَلَا تُتَفَرَّوْا. رواه مسلم، باب في الأمر بالتيسير، ٥٠٠٠، رقم: ٤٥٢٨

37. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Make things easy and do not make them difficult. Comfort people and do not scare them (from *Deen*). (Muslim)

٣٨- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا مِنْ رَجُلٍ يَنْعَشُ لِسَانَهُ حَقًّا يَعْمَلُ بِهِ بَعْدَهُ، إِلَّا أَجْرَى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ أَجْرَهُ إِلَى يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ، ثُمَّ وَقَّاهُ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ ثَوَابَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ. رواه أحمد ٢٦٦/٣

38. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who calls towards the right path, and people act upon it (even) after him, Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall continues his reward till the Day of Resurrection, then Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall would give him his total reward on the Day of Resurrection. (Musnad Ahmad)

٣٩- عَنْ أَبِي مَسْعُودٍ الْبَدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ دَلَّ عَلَى خَيْرٍ فَلَهُ مِثْلُ أَجْرِ فَاعِلِهِ. (وهو جزء من الحديث) رواه أبو داود، باب في الدال على الخير، رقم: ٥١٢٩

39. Abū Mas‘ūd Badrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Whoever guides others to do good, his reward is like the one who does it. (Abu Dāwūd)

٤٠- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ دَعَا إِلَى هُدًى كَانَ لَهُ مِنَ الْأَجْرِ مِثْلُ أُجُورِ مَنْ تَبِعَهُ، لَا يَنْقُصُ ذَلِكَ مِنْ أُجُورِهِمْ شَيْئًا، وَمَنْ دَعَا إِلَى ضَلَالَةٍ كَانَ عَلَيْهِ مِنَ الْإِثْمِ مِثْلُ آثَامِ مَنْ تَبِعَهُ، لَا يَنْقُصُ ذَلِكَ مِنْ آثَامِهِمْ شَيْئًا. رواه مسلم، باب من سن سنة حسنة، ٥٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٨٠٤

40. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Whoever invites towards righteousness, his reward would be equal to the rewards of all those who followed him, without diminishing their reward in any respect. And whoever invites towards wrongdoing, the sin of which he is guilty would be equal to the sins of all those who followed him, without diminishing their sins in any respect. (Muslim)

٤١ - عَنْ عَلْقَمَةَ بْنِ سَعِيدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: خَطَبَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ ذَاتَ يَوْمٍ فَأَتَى عَلَى طَوَائِفٍ مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ خَيْرًا، ثُمَّ قَالَ: مَا بَالُ أَقْوَامٍ لَا يُفَقِّهُونَ جِيرَانَهُمْ، وَلَا يَعْلَمُونَهُمْ، وَلَا يَعِظُونَهُمْ، وَلَا يَأْمُرُونَهُمْ، وَلَا يَنْهَوْنَهُمْ، وَمَا بَالُ أَقْوَامٍ لَا يَتَعَلَّمُونَ مِنْ جِيرَانِهِمْ، وَلَا يَتَفَقَّهُونَ، وَلَا يَتَعَطَّوْنَ، وَاللَّهُ لَيَعْلَمَنَّ قَوْمٌ جِيرَانَهُمْ، وَيَفَقَّهُوهُمْ وَيَعِظُونَهُمْ وَيَأْمُرُونَهُمْ، وَيَنْهَوْنَهُمْ، وَلَيَتَعَلَّمَنَّ قَوْمٌ مِنْ جِيرَانِهِمْ، وَيَتَفَقَّهُونَ، وَيَتَعَطَّوْنَ أَوْ لَأَعَاجِلْنَهُمُ الْعُقُوبَةَ، ثُمَّ نَزَلَ فَقَالَ قَوْمٌ: مَنْ تَرَوْنَهُ عَنَى بِهِؤُلَاءِ؟ قَالُوا: الْأَشْعَرِيِّينَ، فَاتُوا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! ذَكَرْتَ الْبَيَّاهِ وَالْأَعْرَابِ، فَبَلَغَ ذَلِكَ الْأَشْعَرِيِّينَ، فَاتُوا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! ذَكَرْتَ قَوْمًا بِخَيْرٍ، وَذَكَرْتَنَا بِشَرٍّ، فَمَا بَالُنَا؟ فَقَالَ: لَيَعْلَمَنَّ قَوْمٌ جِيرَانَهُمْ، وَلَيَعِظُنَّهُمْ، وَلَيَأْمُرُنَّهُمْ، وَلَيَنْهَوُنَّهُمْ، وَلَيَتَعَلَّمَنَّ قَوْمٌ مِنْ جِيرَانِهِمْ، وَيَتَعَطَّوْنَ، وَيَتَفَقَّهُونَ أَوْ لَأَعَاجِلْنَهُمُ الْعُقُوبَةَ فِي الدُّنْيَا، فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَنْفَطُنْ غَيْرَنَا (وَفِي رِوَايَةٍ: أَبْطِرْ غَيْرَنَا؟) فَأَعَادَ قَوْلَهُ عَلَيْهِمْ وَاعَادُوا قَوْلَهُمْ. أَنْفَطُنْ غَيْرَنَا (وَفِي رِوَايَةٍ: أَبْطِرْ غَيْرَنَا؟) فَقَالَ ذَلِكَ أَيْضًا، فَقَالُوا: أَمَهْلُنَا سَنَةً، فَأَمَهْلَهُمْ سَنَةً لِيَفَقَّهُوهُمْ، وَيَعْلَمُوهُمْ، وَيَعِظُوهُمْ، ثُمَّ قَرَأَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ هَذِهِ الْآيَةَ: ﴿لَعَنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَآئِيلَ عَلَى لِسَانِ دَاوُدَ وَعِيسَى بْنِ مَرْيَمَ﴾ الْآيَةَ. رواه الطبراني في الكبير عن بكر بن معروف عن علقمة، الترغيب ١/١٢٢، بكر بن معروف صدوق فيه لين، تقريب التهذيب.

41. 'Alqamah ibne-Sa'id Radiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that one day Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam delivered a sermon praising certain Muslim tribes and then said: What has happened to certain tribes who neither inculcate an understanding of *Deen* in their neighbours; nor do they teach them, nor advise them, nor enjoin them to do good, nor forbid them from evil. And what has happened to certain tribes who neither acquire knowledge from their neighbours, nor attain an understanding of *Deen*, nor accept any advice. I swear by Allāh! These people must teach knowledge to their neighbours, and must inculcate an understanding of *Deen* in them, and advise them, enjoin them what is right, and forbid them from what is wrong. And the other people must acquire knowledge of *Deen* from their neighbours, and attain an understanding of *Deen* and accept advice. If this does not happen, I would soon give them a strong punishment in this world. Then he came down. People began talking as to who are referred to? Some said: These are the people of Al Ash'arī tribe. They have understanding of *Deen* while the

villagers living in their vicinity are ignorant of *Deen*. This news reached the Al Ash'arī people. They came to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam and said: O Rasūlallāh! You have praised certain tribes and have shown displeasure about us. What is our fault? He said: That people should teach their neighbours knowledge of *Deen*, advise them, enjoin them to do good, and forbid them from evil. And, others must acquire knowledge from their neighbours, receive advice from them, inculcate an understanding of *Deen*; If this does not happen, I will soon punish all of them strongly in this world. The Al Ash'arī people said: O Rasūlallāh! Do we have to inculcate understanding in others (In another narration: Will we be punished for their ignorance?). Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam repeated his statement. They repeated: O Rasūlallāh! Do we have to inculcate understanding in others (In another narration: Will we be punished for their ignorance?). Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam again reiterated his words. At this, the Al Ash'arī people said: Give us one year for this work. He granted them a year to inculcate an understanding of *Deen* in them, teach them and advise them.

Then Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam recited this verse of Al-Qur'ān:

لُعِنَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَآئِيلَ عَلَى لِسَانِ دَاوُدَ وَعِيسَى بْنِ مَرْيَمَ الْآيَةَ

Curses were pronounced on those among Banī Isrā'īl who rejected faith by Dāwūd ('Alaihis Salām), and 'Īsa ('Alaihis Salām) Ibne-Maryam. They disobeyed and persisted in transgression, and did not forbid one another. Verily, this was an evil on their part.

(Ṭabṛānī, Targhīb)

٤٢ - عَنْ أُسَامَةَ بْنِ زَيْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّهُ سَمِعَ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: يُجَاءُ بِالرَّجُلِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فَيُلْقَى فِي النَّارِ، فَتَنْدَلِقُ أَقْتَابُهُ فِي النَّارِ فَيَدُورُ كَمَا يَدُورُ الْحِمَارُ بِرَحَاهُ، فَيَجْتَمِعُ أَهْلُ النَّارِ عَلَيْهِ فَيَقُولُونَ: يَا فَلَانُ! مَا شَأْنُكَ، أَلَيْسَ كُنْتَ تَأْمُرُنَا بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَانَا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ؟ قَالَ: كُنْتُ أَمُرُكُمْ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَلَا آتِيهِ وَأَنْهَاكُمْ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَآتِيهِ. رواه البخاري، باب صفة النار

وأنها مخلوقة، رقم: ٣٢٦٧

42. Usāma ibne-Zaid Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: A man will be brought

on the Day of Resurrection and cast into the Fire, and his intestines will come out in Fire, and he will go around them as a donkey goes around a mill-stone. The inhabitants of Hell will gather around him and ask: O you so and so, what happened to you? Were you not enjoining us to do good and forbidding us from evil? He would reply: I was enjoining upon you to do good, but was not doing it myself; and I was forbidding you from evil, but was doing it myself. (Bukhārī)

٤٣ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَرَرْتُ لَيْلَةَ أُسْرَىٰ بِي عَلَى قَوْمٍ تُقَرَّضُ شِفَاهُهُمْ بِمَقَارِئِضَ مِنْ نَارٍ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: مَنْ هَؤُلَاءِ؟ قَالُوا: خُطَبَاءُ مِنْ أَهْلِ الدُّنْيَا كَانُوا يَأْمُرُونَ النَّاسَ بِالْبِرِّ وَيَنْسَوْنَ أَنْفُسَهُمْ وَهُمْ يَتْلُونَ الْكِتَابَ أَفَلَا يَعْقِلُونَ. رواه أحمد ١٢٠/٣

43. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: I passed on the night of ascension (*Mai‘rāj*) by a people whose lips were being cut with scissors of fire. I asked Jibrāil: Who are they? He told me: They are the religious orators from amongst the people of the world, who enjoined upon others to do good but were neglectful of themselves, though they read the Book of Allāh. Were they not sensible? (Musnad Aḥmad)

VIRTUES OF GOING OUT IN THE PATH OF ALLĀH TA'ĀLĀ

VERSES OF QUR'ĀN

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Those who believed and left their homes, and strove for the cause of Allāh, and those who gave them shelter, and helped them; these are the believers in truth. For them, is forgiveness, and a bountiful provision.

Al-Anfāl 8: 74

قال الله تعالى:

وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَهَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا فِي
سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَالَّذِينَ ءَاوُوا وَنَصَرُوا
أُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ حَقًّا لَهُمْ مَغْفِرَةٌ
وَرِزْقٌ كَرِيمٌ ﴿٧٤﴾ [الأنفال: ٧٤]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Those who believe, and have migrated, and striven hard with their wealth and their lives in Allāh's way, have the highest rank in Allāh's sight. These are those who are successful.

وقال تعالى:

الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَهَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا
فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بِأَمْوَالِهِمْ وَأَنْفُسِهِمْ أَعْظَمُ
دَرَجَةً عِنْدَ اللَّهِ وَأُولَٰئِكَ
هُمُ الْفَائِزُونَ ﴿٢١﴾

Their Rabb gives them good tidings of Mercy from Him, and pleasurable acceptance, and gardens where everlasting delights will be theirs.

They will dwell therein forever. Verily, with Allāh is a great reward.

At-Taubah 9: 20-22

يُبَشِّرُهُمْ رَبُّهُمْ بِرَحْمَةٍ مِّنْهُ
وَرِضْوَانٍ وَجَنَّاتٍ فِيهَا نَعِيمٌ
مُّقِيمٌ ﴿٢١﴾

خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا إِنَّ اللَّهَ عِنْدَهُ أَجْرٌ
عَظِيمٌ ﴿٢٢﴾ [التوبة: ٢٠-٢٢]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

As for those who strive hard in Us
(For our Cause), We will surely
guide them to Our paths (such
guidance which is above the
imagination of others), and Verily!
Allāh is with the good doers.

Al-'Ankabūt 29: 69

وقال تعالى:

وَالَّذِينَ جَاهَدُوا فِيْنَا
لَنَهْدِيَنَّهُمْ سُبُلَنَا وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ

لَمَعَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٦٩﴾ [العنكبوت: ٦٩]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And whosoever strives hard (in
Allāh's cause), does so only for
his own good; for, verily! Allāh
does not stand in need of anything
in all the worlds. Al-'Ankabūt 29: 6

وقال تعالى:

وَمَنْ جَاهَدَ فَإِنَّمَا يُجَاهِدُ

لِنَفْسِهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَغَنِيٌّ عَنِ

الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٦﴾ [العنكبوت: ٦]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

The (true) believers are those who
only believe in Allāh and His
Messenger and afterwards doubt
not, but strive with their wealth
and their lives for the cause of
Allāh. Such are the truthful.

Al-Hujurāt 49: 15

وقال تعالى:

إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا بِاللَّهِ

وَرَسُولِهِ ثُمَّ لَمْ يَرْتَابُوا وَجَاهَدُوا

بِأَمْوَالِهِمْ وَأَنْفُسِهِمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

أُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الصَّادِقُونَ ﴿١٥﴾

[الحجرات: ١٥]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

O you who believe! Shall I tell
you about a bargain that will save
you from a painful punishment?

You should believe in Allāh and
His Messenger, and should strive
for the cause of Allāh with your
wealth and your lives. That is
better for you, if you but knew it.

وقال تعالى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا هَلْ أَذُنُكُمْ عَلَىٰ عِتْرَةٍ

تُحِيكُم مِّنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ ﴿١٦﴾

تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَتُجَاهِدُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ

اللَّهِ بِأَمْوَالِكُمْ وَأَنْفُسِكُمْ ذَٰلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ

إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٦﴾

He will forgive your sins and enter you into gardens underneath which rivers flow, and pleasant dwellings in everlasting gardens of. That is the supreme triumph.

Aṣ-Ṣaff 61: 10-12

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

Say: If your fathers, and your sons, and your brothers, and your wives, and your tribe, and the wealth you have acquired, and the commerce in which you fear a decline and your homes which are dear to you, are more beloved to you than Allāh and His Messenger and striving in His way, then wait till Allāh brings His decision (of punishment). Allāh does not guide the sinful disobedient.

At-Taubah 9: 24

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Spend your wealth for the cause of Allāh, and do not throw yourself into destruction by your own hands (by not striving for the cause of Allāh); and do good. Indeed! Allāh loves the beneficent.

Al-Baqarah 2: 195

يَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ وَيُدْخِلْكُمْ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي
مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ وَمَسْكِنٍ طَيِّبَةٍ فِي جَنَّاتٍ
عَدْنٍ ذَلِكَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ

[الصف: ١٠-١٢]

وقال تعالى:

قُلْ إِنْ كَانَ آبَاؤُكُمْ وَأَبْنَاؤُكُمْ
وَأَخْوَاؤُكُمْ وَأَزْوَاجُكُمْ وَعَشِيرَتُكُمْ وَأَمْوَالٌ
اقتَرَفْتُمُوهَا وَتِجَارَةٌ تَخْشَوْنَ كَسَادَهَا
وَمَسْكِنٌ تَرْضَوْنَهَا أَحَبَّ إِلَيْكُمْ
مِنَ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ وَجِهَادٍ فِي سَبِيلِهِ
فَتَرَبَّصُوا حَتَّى يَأْتِيَ اللَّهُ بِأَمْرٍ وَاللَّهُ
لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الْفَاسِقِينَ

[التوبة: ٢٤]

وقال تعالى:

وَانْفِقُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَلَا تُلْقُوا بِأَيْدِيكُمْ
إِلَى التَّلَاقِ وَأَحْسِنُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ
الْمُحْسِنِينَ

[البقرة: ١٩٥]

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٤٤ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَقَدْ أُخِفْتُ فِي اللَّهِ وَمَا يُخَافُ أَحَدٌ، وَلَقَدْ أُوذِيتُ فِي اللَّهِ لَمْ يُؤْذَ أَحَدٌ، وَلَقَدْ أَتَتْ عَلَيَّ ثَلَاثُونَ مِنْ بَيْنِ يَوْمٍ وَلَيْلَةٍ وَمَا لِي وَلِبَالٍ طَعَامٌ بِأَكْلِهِ ذُو كَيْدٍ إِلَّا شَيْءٌ يُوَارِيهِ إِبْطُ بِلَالٍ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب أحاديث عائشة وأنس، ١٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٤٧٢

44. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Indeed, I have been so much frightened in the cause of Allāh, that no one has ever been frightened as much. And indeed, I have been troubled so much in the cause of Allāh that no one has been troubled so much. Thirty days and thirty nights passed on me, when myself and Bilal had no food which anyone could eat, except something that could be hidden under Bilal's armpit. (Tirmidhī)

٤٥ - عَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَبِيتُ اللَّيْلَى الْمُتَتَابِعَةَ طَاوِيًا وَأَهْلُهُ لَا يَجِدُونَ عَشَاءً، وَكَانَ أَكْثَرُ خُبْزِهِمْ خُبْزَ الشَّعِيرِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب ما جاء في معيشة النبي ﷺ وأهله، رقم: ٢٣٦٠

45. Ibne-‘Abbās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhūma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and his family passed many nights consecutively in hunger. His family did not find anything to eat at night, and generally their bread was made from barley. (Tirmidhī)

٤٦ - عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا أَنَّهَا قَالَتْ: مَا شَبِعَ آلُ مُحَمَّدٍ ﷺ مِنْ خُبْزِ شَعِيرٍ، يَوْمَيْنِ مُتَتَابِعَيْنِ حَتَّى قَبِضَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ. رواه مسلم، باب الدنيا سجن للمؤمن وجنة للكافر، رقم: ٧٤٥٥

46. ‘Ā’ishah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha narrates that until the death of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, his family did not have enough barley bread to satisfy them for two consecutive days. (Muslim)

٤٧ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: إِنَّ فَاطِمَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا نَاوَلَتِ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ كِسْرَةً مِنْ خُبْزِ شَعِيرٍ فَقَالَ: هَذَا أَوَّلُ طَعَامٍ أَكَلَهُ أَبُوكَ مِنْذُ ثَلَاثَةِ أَيَّامٍ. رواه أحمد والطبرانی وزاد: فَقَالَ: مَا

هَذِهِ؟ فَقَالَتْ: قُرْصٌ خَبَزْتُهُ، فَلَمْ تَطْبِ نَفْسِي حَتَّى أَتَيْتُكَ بِهِذِهِ الْكُسْرَى. ورجالهما ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٥٦٢/١٠

47. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Fātima Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha presented a piece of barley bread to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. He said: This is the first eatable, which your father has eaten in three days. In another narration, it is said that he asked: What is this? She said: I baked bread, and I did not want to eat it without you. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī)

٤٨ - عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ السَّاعِدِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنَّا مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ بِالْخَنْدَقِ وَهُوَ يَحْفَرُ وَنَحْنُ نَنْقُلُ التُّرَابَ، وَبَصُرَ بِنَا فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ لَا عَيْشَ إِلَّا عَيْشُ الْآخِرَةِ فَاعْفِرْ لِلْأَنْصَارِ وَالْمُهَاجِرَةِ. رواه البخارى، باب الصحة والفراغ ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٤١٤

48. Sahl ibne-Sa’d As Sā’idī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that we were with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam in the Battle of the Trench, and he was digging the trench, and we were removing the earth. He observed us and said: O Allāh! Life is the life in the Hereafter; forgive the Ansār (helpers) and Muhājirīn (emigrants). (Bukhārī)

٤٩ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: أَخَذَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ بِمَنْكِبِي فَقَالَ: كُنْ فِي الدُّنْيَا كَأَنَّكَ غَرِيبٌ أَوْ عَابِرُ سَبِيلٍ. رواه البخارى، باب قول النبي ﷺ كن في الدنيا كأنك غريب ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٤١٦

49. Ibne-‘Umar Radiallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam held my shoulder (to emphasize the importance of the advice) and said: Live in the world, as if you are a stranger or a moving traveller. (Bukhārī)

٥٠ - عَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ عَوْفٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: فَوَاللَّهِ مَا الْفَقْرُ أَخْشَى عَلَيْكُمْ، وَلَكِنْ أَخْشَى عَلَيْكُمْ أَنْ تُبْسَطَ عَلَيْكُمُ الدُّنْيَا كَمَا بُسِطَتْ عَلَى مَنْ كَانَ قَبْلَكُمْ، فَتَنَافَسُوهَا كَمَا تَنَافَسُوهَا وَتُلْهِيَكُمْ كَمَا أَلْهَتْهُمْ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه البخارى، باب ما يحذر من زهرة الدنيا ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٤٢٥

50. ‘Amr ibne-‘Auf Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: I swear by Allāh, it is not poverty

that I fear for you, but I fear that worldly things may be given to you in abundance, as were given to the people before you; and you may compete with one another in striving to achieve them, as they did to excel each other; and then the world would make you forgetful, as it made them forgetful. (Bukhārī)

Note: Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam’s saying, “it is not poverty that I fear”, means that, poverty is not so stressing and harmful, as the abundance of worldly things. (Fath-ul-Bārī)

٥١- عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَوْ كَانَتِ الدُّنْيَا تَعْدِلُ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ

جَنَاحَ بَعُوضَةٍ مَا سَقَى كَافِرًا مِنْهَا شَرْبَةَ مَاءٍ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث صحيح غريب، باب ما جاء في

هوان الدنيا على الله عز وجل، رقم: ٢٣٢٠

51. Sahl ibne-Sa‘d Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If the world was worth a mosquito’s wing to Allāh, He would not have given the disbeliever even a sip of water. (Tirmidhī)

٥٢- عَنْ عُرْوَةَ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا أَنَّهَا كَانَتْ تَقُولُ: وَاللَّهِ! يَا ابْنَ أُخْتِي! إِنْ

كُنَّا لَنَنْظُرُ إِلَى الْهِلَالِ ثُمَّ الْهِلَالِ ثُمَّ الْهِلَالِ، ثَلَاثَةَ أَهْلَةٍ فِي شَهْرَيْنِ، وَمَا أَوْقَدَ فِي أَبْيَاتِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ نَارًا، قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا خَالَه! فَمَا كَانَ يُعِيشُكُمْ؟ قَالَتْ: الْأَسْوَدَانِ: التَّمْرُ وَالْمَاءُ. (وهو

طرف من الرواية) رواه مسلم، باب الدنيا سجن للمؤمن، رقم: ٧٤٥٢

52. ‘Urwah Rahimahullāh narrates that ‘Ā’ishah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha used to say: I swear by Allāh, O son of my sister! We used to see a new moon, then would see a second new moon, and then the third new moon; this way we would see three moons in two consecutive months; but fire (for cooking) was not burnt in the houses of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. ‘Urwah said: O Aunt! Then what were your means of sustenance? She said: Two black things; dates and water. (Muslim)

Note: The majority of the dates of Madīna are black. Among the Arabs, if two things are beloved to them together then they give both of them one name, taking the more well known of the two into consideration. For this reason, dates and water have been called two black things.

٥٣- عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَا خَالَطَ قَلْبَ امْرِئٍ مُسْلِمٍ رَهْجٌ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ إِلَّا حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ النَّارَ. رواه أحمد والطبرانی في الأوسط ورجال أحمد ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٥٠٢/٥

53. 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anha narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: When the dust of the Path of Allāh enters the body of a Muslim, Allāh prohibits Hell-Fire on him. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarāni, Majma-'uz-Zawaid)

٥٤- عَنْ أَبِي عَبَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ اغْبَرَّتْ قَدَمَاهُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ عَلَى النَّارِ. رواه أحمد ٤٧٩/٣

54. Abu 'Abs Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Whosoever's feet become dusty in the Path of Allāh 'Azza wa Jall; Allāh 'Azza wa Jall will prohibit those feet from Hell-Fire. (Musnad Aḥmad)

٥٥- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَا يَجْتَمِعُ غُبَارٌ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَدُخَانُ جَهَنَّمَ فِي جَوْفِ عَبْدٍ أَبَدًا وَلَا يَجْتَمِعُ الشُّحُّ وَالْإِيمَانُ فِي قَلْبِ عَبْدٍ أَبَدًا. رواه النسائي، باب فضل من عمل في سبيل الله على قدمه، رقم: ٣١١٢

55. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The dust of the Path of Allāh and the smoke of Hell can never be together in the stomach of a slave of Allāh; also miserliness and perfect Imān can never be together in the heart of a slave of Allāh. (Nasāī)

٥٦- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: لَا يَجْتَمِعُ غُبَارٌ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَدُخَانُ جَهَنَّمَ فِي مَنْخَرِي مُسْلِمٍ أَبَدًا. رواه النسائي، باب فضل من عمل في سبيل الله على قدمه، رقم: ٣١١٥

56. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The dust of the Path of Allāh and the smoke of Hell can never be together in the nostrils of any Muslim. (Nasāī)

٥٧- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ الْبَاهِلِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَا مِنْ رَجُلٍ يَغْبَارُ وَجْهَهُ فِي سَبِيلِ

اللَّهُ إِلَّا أَمَّنَ اللَّهُ وَجْهَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، وَمَا مِنْ رَجُلٍ يَغْبَارُ قَدَمَاهُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ إِلَّا أَمَّنَ اللَّهُ قَدَمَيْهِ مِنَ النَّارِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٤٣/٤

57. Abu Umāma Bāhilī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Anyone whose face gets dusty in the Path of Allāh, Allāh will safeguard his face from Hell-Fire on the Day of Resurrection. And for him whose feet get dusty in the Path of Allāh, Allāh will safeguard his feet on the Day of Resurrection from Hell-Fire. (Baihaqī)

٥٨ - عَنْ عُثْمَانَ بْنِ عَفَّانَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: يَوْمٌ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ يَوْمٍ فِيمَا سِوَاهُ. رواه النسائي، باب فضل الرباط، رقم: ٣١٧٢

58. ‘Uthmān ibne-‘Affān Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: A day spent in the Path of Allāh is better than a thousand other days. (Nasaī)

٥٩ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: غَدَاةٌ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَوْ رَوْحَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الدُّنْيَا وَمَا فِيهَا. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه البخاري، باب صفة الجنة والنار، رقم: ٦٥٦٨

59. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: A morning or an evening spent in the Path of Allāh is better than the world and all that it contains. (Bukhārī)

Note: It means that if the world and all that it contains is spent in the Path of Allāh, the reward of one morning or an evening in the Path of Allāh will be much more. (Mirqāt)

٦٠ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ رَاحَ رَوْحَةً فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، كَانَ لَهُ بِمِثْلِ مَا أَصَابَهُ مِنَ الْغُبَارِ مِسْكًا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ. رواه ابن ماجه، باب الخروج في الليل، رقم: ٢٧٧٥

60. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who goes out for an evening in the Path of Allāh will be awarded musk on the Day of Resurrection, equal to the dust that had touched his body. (Ibne-Mājah)

٦١ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: مَرَّ رَجُلٌ مِنْ أَصْحَابِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ بِشَعْبٍ فِيهِ عُيَيْنَةٌ مِنْ مَاءٍ عَذْبَةٍ، فَأَعَجَبَتْهُ لَطِيفُهَا، فَقَالَ: لَوْ اعْتَرَلْتُ النَّاسَ فَأَقَمْتُ فِي هَذَا الشَّعْبِ، وَلَنْ أَفْعَلَ حَتَّى

أَسْتَأْذِنَ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَذَكَرَ ذَلِكَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالَ: لَا تَفْعَلْ، فَإِنْ مَقَامَ أَحَدِكُمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَفْضَلُ مِنْ صَلَاتِهِ فِي بَيْتِهِ سَبْعِينَ عَامًا، أَلَا تُحِبُّونَ أَنْ يُغْفِرَ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَيُدْخِلَكُمُ الْجَنَّةَ؟ اغْزُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، مَنْ قَاتَلَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَوَاقَ نَاقَةً وَجَبَتْ لَهُ الْجَنَّةُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن، باب ما جاء في الغدو، ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ١٦٥٠

61. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that a Ṣaḥābī of Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam passed by a valley having a small spring of sweet water. He liked it because it was good, and said: Perhaps if I could get separated from the people and stay in this valley, but I would never do so, unless permitted by Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. So, he mentioned this to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, who said: Do not do so, because indeed standing of anyone from amongst you in the Path of Allāh for a short while is more virtuous than his offering Salāt for seventy years in his home. Do you not want that Allāh should forgive you, and sends you to Paradise? Go out for Jihād in the Path of Allāh. He who fought in the Path of Allāh, even for the duration of a pause in the process of milking a she-camel, is assured of Paradise. (Tirmidhī)

٦٢- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ صُدِعَ رَأْسُهُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَاحْتَسَبَ، غُفِرَ لَهُ مَا كَانَ قَبْلَ ذَلِكَ مِنْ ذَنْبٍ. رواه الطبرانی في الكبير وإسناده حسن، مجمع الزوائد ٣٠/٣

62. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who suffers a headache in the Path of Allāh, and hopes for a reward, then all his past sins are forgiven. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٦٣- عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فِيمَا يَحْكِي عَنْ رَبِّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى قَالَ: أَيُّمَا عَبْدٍ مِنْ عِبَادِي خَرَجَ مُجَاهِدًا فِي سَبِيلِي ابْتِغَاءَ مَرْضَاتِي ضَمِنْتُ لَهُ أَنْ أَرْجِعَهُ بِمَا أَصَابَ مِنْ أَجْرٍ وَغَنِيمَةٍ، وَإِنْ قَبِضْتُهُ أَنْ أَغْفِرَ لَهُ وَأَرْحَمَهُ وَأُدْخِلَهُ الْجَنَّةَ. رواه أحمد ١١٧/٢

63. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma reported from Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam in one of Ḥadīth Qudsī narrated by him that his Rabb Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā has said: Any slave from amongst My slaves goes out as a Mujāhid in My Path, only to please Me, I guarantee that either I shall return him back with a reward and

captured enemy assets, or if I recall his soul, then I will forgive him, bless him and send him to Paradise. (Musnad Aḥmad)

٦٤ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: تَصْمَنَ اللَّهُ لِمَنْ خَرَجَ فِي سَبِيلِهِ، لَا يُخْرِجُهُ إِلَّا جِهَادًا فِي سَبِيلِي وَإِيمَانًا بِي وَتَصْدِيقًا بِرُسُلِي، فَهُوَ عَلَى ضَامِنٍ أَنْ أَدْخِلَهُ الْجَنَّةَ أَوْ أَرْجِعَهُ إِلَى مَسْكِنِهِ الَّذِي خَرَجَ مِنْهُ، نَائِلًا مَا نَالَ مِنْ أَجْرٍ أَوْ غَنِيمَةٍ، وَالَّذِي نَفْسُ مُحَمَّدٍ بِيَدِهِ! مَا مِنْ كَلِمٍ يُكَلِّمُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى إِلَّا جَاءَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ كَهَيْئَتِهِ حِينَ كَلِمٍ، لَوْهُ لَوْنُ دَمٍ وَرِيحُهُ مِسْكٌ، وَالَّذِي نَفْسُ مُحَمَّدٍ بِيَدِهِ! لَوْ لَا أَنْ يَشُقَّ عَلَى الْمُسْلِمِينَ مَا قَعَدْتُ خِلَافَ سَرِيَّةٍ تَغْرُوْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَبَدًا، وَلَكِنْ لَا أَجِدُ سَعَةً فَأَحْمِلُهُمْ، وَلَا يَجِدُونَ سَعَةً وَيَشُقُّ عَلَيْهِمْ أَنْ يَتَخَلَّفُوا عَنِّي، وَالَّذِي نَفْسُ مُحَمَّدٍ بِيَدِهِ! لَوَدِدْتُ أَنِّي أَغْرُو فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَأُقْتَلَ، ثُمَّ أَغْرُو فَأُقْتَلَ، ثُمَّ أَغْرُو فَأُقْتَلَ. رواه مسلم، باب فضل الجهاد، ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٤٨٥٩.

64. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Allāh guarantees that he who goes in His Path, solely for Jihād in His Path believing in Him and affirming the truth of His Prophets, for him I guarantee to send him to Paradise or return him to his home from where he came out with reward and captured enemy assets. . (Then he said:) By Him, In whose Hand is Muhammad's life, any person who gets wounded in the Path of Allāh, will come on the Day of Resurrection, with his wound as fresh as if it had been inflicted today, its colour would be the colour of blood, but its smell would be the smell of musk. By Him, in Whose Hand is Muhammad's life, had it not been hard upon the Muslims I would have never stayed behind any expedition which was going out to fight in the Path of Allāh. But, I do not have the means to provide all of them with conveyance nor do the Muslims have the means. And it will be hard on them to remain behind, when I go forth. By Him, in Whose Hand is Muhammad's life, I love to fight in the Path of Allāh and get martyred, to fight again and be martyred, to fight again and be martyred. (Muslim)

٦٥ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِذَا تَبَايَعْتُمْ بِالْعِينَةِ وَأَخَذْتُمْ أَذْنَابَ الْبَقَرِ وَرَضِيْتُمْ بِالزَّرْعِ وَتَرَكْتُمُ الْجِهَادَ، سَلَطَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْكُمْ ذُلًّا لَا يَنْزِعُهُ حَتَّى تَرْجِعُوا إِلَى دِينِكُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب فى النهى عن العينة، رقم: ٣٤٦٢.

65. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: When you devote yourselves exclusively to trading, and deploy your oxen for farming, and be satisfied with farming, and give up Jihād, then Allāh will impose disgrace upon you. This disgrace will not be removed until you return to your Deen (which also includes struggle in the Path of Allāh). (Abu Dāwūd)

٦٦- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ لَقِيَ اللَّهَ بِغَيْرِ أَثَرٍ مِنْ جِهَادٍ، لَقِيَ اللَّهَ وَفِيهِ ثُلْمَةٌ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب ما جاء في فضل المرابط، رقم: ١٦٦٦

66. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: One who meets Allāh, without a mark of Jihād, he will meet Allāh with a flaw in him. (Tirmidhī)

Note: The mark of Jihād includes, for example, a wound on the body, or dust settled in the Path of Allāh, or marks on the body while rendering his services. (Sharḥ-ut-Tībī)

٦٧- عَنْ سُهَيْلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَقَامُ أَحَدِكُمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ سَاعَةً خَيْرٌ لَهُ مِنْ عَمَلِهِ عُمْرَهُ فِي أَهْلِهِ. رواه الحاكم ٢٨٢/٣

67. Suhail Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: Your striving in the Path of Allāh for a short while, is far better than your good deeds of the whole life staying with your family. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

٦٨- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: بَعَثَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ رَوَاحَةَ فِي سَرِيَّةٍ فَوَافَقَ ذَلِكَ يَوْمَ الْجُمُعَةِ، فَعَدَا أَصْحَابَهُ، فَقَالَ: أَتَخَلَّفُ فَأُصَلِّيَ مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ ثُمَّ أَلْحَقَهُمْ، فَلَمَّا صَلَّى مَعَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ رَأَاهُ، فَقَالَ لَهُ: مَا مَنَعَكَ أَنْ تَعْدُوَ مَعَ أَصْحَابِكَ؟ فَقَالَ: أَرَدْتُ أَنْ أَصَلِّيَ مَعَكَ ثُمَّ أَلْحَقَهُمْ، فَقَالَ: لَوْ أَنْفَقْتَ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا مَا أَدْرَكَتْ فَضْلَ عُدُوِّهِمْ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب ما جاء في السفر يوم الجمعة، رقم: ٥٢٧

68. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam deputed 'Abdullāh ibne-Rawāha Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu on an expedition and that was on Friday. His companions set out in the morning, but he decided to stay back and offer Ṣalāt with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, and join

them later. When he offered Ṣalāt with Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam, he was seen by Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam. He enquired: What prevented you from going out in the morning with your companions. He replied: I intended to offer Ṣalāt-ul-Jumu'ah with you and then join them. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: Even if you spend whatever is in the world, you will not be able to achieve the reward of those who left in the morning. (Tirmidhī)

٦٩- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: أَمَرَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ بِسِرِّيَّةٍ تَخْرُجُ، فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَنْتَ تَخْرُجُ اللَّيْلَةَ أَمْ نَمُكُثُ حَتَّى نُصْبِحَ؟ فَقَالَ: أَوْ لَا تُحِبُّونَ أَنْ تَبِيتُوا فِي خَرِيفٍ مِنَ خَرَايِفِ الْجَنَّةِ وَالْخَرِيفُ الْحَدِيقَةُ. السنن الكبرى ١٥٨/٩

69. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam ordered a contingent to go in the Path of Allāh. They asked: O Rasūlallāh! Should we leave tonight, or stay till the morning? He said: Would you not like to spend this night in one of the gardens of Paradise. (Sunan Kubrā)

٧٠- عَنْ ابْنِ مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَجُلًا سَأَلَ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ: أَيُّ الْأَعْمَالِ أَفْضَلُ؟ قَالَ: الصَّلَاةُ لَوْ قُتِلَ، وَبِرُّ الْوَالِدَيْنِ، ثُمَّ الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ. رواه البخارى، باب وسمي النبي ﷺ الصلاة عملاً، رقم: ٧٥٣٤

70. Ibne-Mas'ūd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that a man asked Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam, what deeds are the best? He replied: Offering Ṣalāt on time; kindness to parents; and Jihād in the Path of Allāh. (Bukhārī)

٧١- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: ثَلَاثَةٌ كُلُّهُمْ ضَامِنٌ عَلَى اللَّهِ، إِنْ عَاشَ رُزِقَ وَكَفِيَ، وَإِنْ مَاتَ أَدْخَلَهُ اللَّهُ الْجَنَّةَ: مَنْ دَخَلَ بَيْتَهُ فَسَلَّمَ فَهُوَ ضَامِنٌ عَلَى اللَّهِ، وَمَنْ خَرَجَ إِلَى الْمَسْجِدِ فَهُوَ ضَامِنٌ عَلَى اللَّهِ، وَمَنْ خَرَجَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَهُوَ ضَامِنٌ عَلَى اللَّهِ. رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: الحديث صحيح ٢٥٢/٢

71. Abu Umāmah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: Three people and who are under Allāh's protection. If alive, they are sustained and looked after, and if they die, Allāh will send them to Paradise. 1. One who enters his house and offers Salām, he is under Allāh's guarantee; 2. One who

goes to the masjid, he is under Allāh's guarantee; 3. One who goes out in the Path of Allāh, he is under Allāh's guarantee. (Ibne-Hibbān)

٧٢- عَنْ حُمَيْدِ بْنِ هِلَالٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ رَجُلٌ مِنَ الطُّفَاوَةِ طَرِيقُهُ عَلَيْنَا، يَأْتِي عَلَى الْحَيِّ فَيُحَدِّثُهُمْ، قَالَ: أَتَيْتُ الْمَدِينَةَ فِي عَيْرٍ لَنَا، فَبِعْنَا بِضَاعَتَنَا، ثُمَّ قُلْتُ: لَا نَطْلِقَنَّ إِلَى هَذَا الرَّجُلِ فَلَاتَيْنَ مَنْ بَعْدِي بِخَبْرِهِ، قَالَ: فَانْتَهَيْتُ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَإِذَا هُوَ يُرِينِي بَيْتًا، قَالَ: إِنَّ امْرَأَةً كَانَتْ فِيهِ، فَخَرَجَتْ فِي سَرِيَّةٍ مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَتَرَكْتُ ثِنْتَيْ عَشْرَةَ عَنَزَةً وَصَيِّصَتَهَا الَّتِي تَنْسِجُ بِهَا، فَفَقَدْتُ عَنَزًا مِنْ غَنَمِهَا وَصَيِّصَتَهَا، قَالَتْ: يَا رَبِّ! (إِنَّكَ) قَدْ ضَمَنْتَ لِمَنْ خَرَجَ فِي سَبِيلِكَ أَنْ تَحْفَظَ عَلَيْهِ، وَإِنِّي قَدْ فَقَدْتُ عَنَزًا مِنْ غَنَمِي وَصَيِّصَتِي، وَإِنِّي أُنْشِدُكَ عَنَزِي وَصَيِّصَتِي، قَالَ: فَجَعَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَذْكُرُ لَهُ شِدَّةَ مُنَاشَدَتِهَا لِرَبِّهَا تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى، قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: فَأَصْبَحَتْ عَنَزُهَا وَمِثْلُهَا وَصَيِّصَتُهَا وَمِثْلُهَا، وَهَاتِيكَ، فَأَتَيْهَا فَاسْأَلْهَا إِنْ شِئْتَ، قَالَ: قُلْتُ: بَلْ أَصَدَّقُكَ. رواه أحمد ورجالہ رجال الصَّحیح، مجمع الزوائد ٥/٤٠٤

72. Ḥumaid ibne-Hilāl Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that there was a man from Tafāwah, whose way was through us. He used to come to our tribe (while travelling) and relate ahādīth. He said: I went to Madīnah once with my trading caravan. We sold our merchandise; then I thought that I must go to that man (Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam) and find out about him and tell my tribe about him. When I met Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, he showed me a house and said: There is a woman in that house. She went out in the Path of Allāh with a group of Muslims. She left behind, twelve goats, and one weaving tool with which she used to weave cloth. One of her goats and her weaving tool got lost. The woman prayed: O my Rabb! You have undoubtedly guaranteed safety of the one, who goes out in Your Path. Whereas I have lost one of my goats and my weaving tool. I adjure you about my goat and my weaving tool. The narrator says, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam mentioned about how profoundly the woman implored her Rabb Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: She got her goat and one additional similar to that, her weaving tool and one additional similar to that (from the treasures of Allāh). And there she is! Go and ask her if you wish. The Tufāwī man replied: No, I testify to what you say. (Musnad Aḥmad, Majma‘-uz-Zawāid)

٧٣- عَنْ عُبَادَةَ بْنِ الصَّامِتِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْجِهَادِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهُ بَابٌ مِنْ أَبْوَابِ الْجَنَّةِ، يُذْهِبُ اللَّهُ بِهِ الْهَمَّ وَالْغَمَّ (وَزَادَ فِيهِ غَيْرُهُ) وَجَاهِدُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ الْقَرِيبَ وَالْبَعِيدَ، وَأَقِيمُوا حُدُودَ اللَّهِ فِي الْقَرِيبِ وَالْبَعِيدِ، وَلَا تَأْخُذْكُمْ فِي اللَّهِ لَوْمَةٌ لَائِمٌ. رواه الحاكم وقال: هذا حديث صحيح الإسناد ولم يخرجاه ووافقه الذهبي ٧٤/٢

73. 'Uḡādah ibne-Şāmit Raḡiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Şallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: You must do Jihād in the Path of Allāh, for this is one of the doors of Paradise. Through this Allāh removes anxiety and grief. There is an addition in a narration: And strive far and near in the Path of Allāh, and establish Divine ordinances far and near among the inhabitants; and do not be influenced by the criticism of those who criticise in matters relating to Allāh. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

٧٤- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَجُلًا قَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! ائْذَنْ لِي بِالسِّيَاحَةِ، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: إِنَّ سِيَاحَةَ أُمَّتِي الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. رواه أبو داود، باب في النهي عن السياحة، رقم: ٢٤٨٦

74. Abu Umāma Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a man asked: O Rasūlallāh! Please allow me to travel as tourist. Nabi Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam replied: The tourism of my Ummah is to strive in the Path of Allāh, ‘Azza wa Jall. (Aḥu Dāwūd)

٧٥- عَنْ فَصَّالَةَ بْنِ عُيَيْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَقْرَبُ الْعَمَلِ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، وَلَا يُقَارِبُهُ شَيْءٌ. رواه البخارى فى التاريخ وهو حديث حسن ، الجامع الصغير ٢٠١/١

75. Fuḍālāh ibne-‘Ubaid Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The deed which brings one closest to Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall is to strive in the Path of Allāh. No other good deed can be better than Jihād itself in getting Allāh’s closeness. (Bukhārī, Jāma-‘uṣ-Ṣaghīr)

٧٦- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سُئِلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَيُّ النَّاسِ أَفْضَلُ؟ قَالَ: رَجُلٌ يَجَاهِدُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، قَالُوا: ثُمَّ مَنْ؟ قَالَ: ثُمَّ مُؤْمِنٌ فِي شَعْبٍ مِنَ الشَّعَابِ يَتَّقِي رَبَّهُ وَيَدْعُ النَّاسَ مِنْ شَرِّهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب ما جاء أي الناس أفضل، رقم: ١٦٦٠

76. Abu Sa'īd Al-Khudhrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam was asked: Who is the best amongst the people? He replied: The man who strives in the Path of Allāh. The Sahabāh asked: Who is next? He replied: Mu'min who lives in a valley amongst the valleys and fears his Rabb and people are saved from his mischief. (Tirmidhī)

٧٧- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ أَنَّهُ سُئِلَ: أَيُّ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ أَكْمَلُ إِيمَانًا؟ قَالَ: رَجُلٌ يُجَاهِدُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بِنَفْسِهِ وَمَالِهِ، وَرَجُلٌ يَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ فِي شُعْبٍ مِنَ الشُّعَابِ، قَدْ كَفَى النَّاسَ شَرًّا. رواه أبو داود، باب في ثواب الجهاد، رقم: ٢٤٨٥

77. Abu Sa'īd Al Khudhrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam was asked: Who amongst the Mu'minīn has the most perfect Īmān? He replied: A man who strives in the Path of Allāh with his life and wealth and the man who worships Allāh in a valley from amongst the valleys and saves people from his evil. (Abu Dāwūd)

٧٨- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَوْقِفُ سَاعَةٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ قِيَامِ لَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ عِنْدَ الْحَجَرِ الْأَسْوَدِ. رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: إسناده صحيح ٤٦٣/١٠

78. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: To be in the Path of Allāh, for a short while, is better than worshipping on the night of *Al-Qadr* in front of *Hajaril-Aswad* (the Black Stone). (Ibne-Hibbān)

Note: Worshipping on the Night of *Al-Qadr* is more virtuous than worshipping for a thousand months as mentioned in *Suratul Qadr* 97:3.

٧٩- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: لِكُلِّ نَبِيٍّ رَهْبَانِيَّةٌ، وَرَهْبَانِيَّةُ هَذِهِ الْأُمَّةِ الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ. رواه أحمد ٢٦٦/٣

79. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: For every prophet there is monasticism. The monasticism of my Ummah is striving in the Path of Allāh 'Azza wa Jall. (Musnad Aḥmad)

Note: Monasticism (*Rahbānīyah*) means a life of abstinence and self-denial from worldly pleasures.

٨٠- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَثَلُ الْمُجَاهِدِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، وَاللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ بِمَنْ يُجَاهِدُ فِي سَبِيلِهِ كَمَثَلِ الصَّائِمِ الْقَائِمِ الْخَاشِعِ الرَّكْعِ السَّاجِدِ. رواه النسائي، باب مثل المجاهد في سبيل الله عز وجل، رقم: ٣١٢٩

80. Abu Huraira Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: The example of a Mujāhid in the Path of Allāh - and Allāh knows well who is striving in His Path - is like the man who keeps fasting, worshipping by night, from fear of Allāh, completely submitting to Him, bowing and prostrating. (Nasāi)

٨١- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَثَلُ الْمُجَاهِدِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، كَمَثَلِ الصَّائِمِ الْقَائِمِ الْقَانِتِ بِآيَاتِ اللَّهِ لَا يَفْتُرُ مِنْ صَوْمٍ وَلَا صَدَقَةٍ حَتَّى يَرْجِعَ الْمُجَاهِدُ إِلَى أَهْلِهِ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: إسناده صحيح ٤٨٦/١٠

81. Abu Huraira Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The example of a Mujāhid in the Path of Allāh, is like a man who fasts, spends the night reciting the Qur’ān in Ṣalāt, and does not give up fasting and giving Ṣadaqah until the Mujāhid returns to his family. (Ibne-Ḥibbān)

٨٢- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا اسْتَنْفَرْتُمْ فَأَنْفِرُوا. رواه ابن ماجه، باب الخروج في النفر، رقم: ٢٧٧٣

82. Ibne-‘Abbās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhumā narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Whenever you are asked to go out in the Path of Allāh; you must go out. (Ibne-Mājah)

٨٣- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: يَا أَبَا سَعِيدٍ مَنْ رَضِيَ بِاللَّهِ رَبًّا وَبِالْإِسْلَامِ دِينًا وَبِمُحَمَّدٍ ﷺ نَبِيًّا، وَجَبَتْ لَهُ الْجَنَّةُ. فَعَجِبَ لَهَا أَبُو سَعِيدٍ فَقَالَ: أَعِدَّهَا عَلَيَّ، يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! ففعل، ثم قال: وأخرى يُرْفَعُ بِهَا الْعَبْدُ مِائَةَ دَرَجَةٍ فِي الْجَنَّةِ، مَا بَيْنَ كُلِّ دَرَجَتَيْنِ كَمَا بَيْنَ السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ، قَالَ: وَمَا هِيَ؟ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! قَالَ: الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، الْجِهَادُ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ. رواه مسلم، باب بيان ما أعدّه الله تعالى للمجاهد، رقم: ٤٨٧٩

83. Abu Sa‘īd Al-Khudhrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: O Abu Sa‘īd! Whosoever has most willingly acknowledge Allāh as his Rabb, Islām

as his religion, and Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam as His Messenger; Paradise is incumbent for him. Abu Sa‘id Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu liked this, and said: O Rasūlallāh! Repeat it for me. He repeated it and then said: There is yet another thing that elevates the status of a man in Paradise by one hundred ranks – the distance between two ranks is like the distance between the heavens and the earth. Abu Sa‘id asked: O Rasūlallāh! What is that? He replied: Striving in the Path of Allāh, striving in the Path of Allāh. (Muslim)

٨٤- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: مَاتَ رَجُلٌ بِالْمَدِينَةِ مِمَّنْ وُلِدَ بِهَا، فَصَلَّى عَلَيْهِ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ ثُمَّ قَالَ: يَا لَيْتَهُ مَاتَ بِغَيْرِ مَوْلِدِهِ قَالُوا: وَلِمَ ذَلِكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: إِنَّ الرَّجُلَ إِذَا مَاتَ بِغَيْرِ مَوْلِدِهِ قِيسَ لَهُ مِنْ مَوْلِدِهِ إِلَى مُنْقَطِعِ أَثَرِهِ فِي الْجَنَّةِ. رواه النسائي، باب الموت بغير مولده، رقم: ١٨٣٣

84. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that a man died in Madīnah, he was one of those who were born in Madīnah. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam offered his funeral Ṣalāt, then said: Alas! He would have died somewhere else other than his place of birth! The Ṣaḥābah said: O Rasūlallāh! Why so? He replied: When a person dies at a place other than his birthplace, he is given abode in Paradise by measuring the distance from his place of birth to the place where he died. (Nasaī)

٨٥- عَنْ أَبِي قِرْصَافَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ هَاجِرُوا وَتَمَسَّكُوا بِالْإِسْلَامِ، فَإِنَّ الْهَجْرَةَ لَا تَنْقُطُ مَا دَامَ الْجِهَادُ. رواه الطبرانی ورجاله ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٩/٦٥٨

85. Abu Qirsāfah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: O people! Migrate in the Path of Allāh and hold to Islām firmly; for migration will not end as long as Jihād continues. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

Note: Just as Jihād will continue till the Day of Resurrection, so will migration; which includes, leaving one's home for the sake of spreading, learning and guarding Islam.

٨٦- عَنْ مُعَاوِيَةَ وَعَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ عَوْفٍ وَعَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو بْنِ الْعَاصِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: الْهَجْرَةُ خَصْلَتَانِ، إِحْدَاهُمَا: هَجْرُ السَّيِّئَاتِ، وَالْأُخْرَى: يُهَاجِرُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ، وَلَا تَنْقُطُ الْهَجْرَةُ مَا تَقَبَّلَتِ التَّوْبَةُ، وَلَا تَزَالُ التَّوْبَةُ مَقْبُولَةً حَتَّى تَطْلُعَ الشَّمْسُ مِنْ

الْمَغْرِبِ، فَإِذَا طَلَعَتْ طَبَعَ عَلَى كُلِّ قَلْبٍ بِمَا فِيهِ، وَكَفَى النَّاسَ الْعَمَلَ. رواه أحمد والطبرانی في الأوسط والصغير ورجال أحمد ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٤٥٦/٥

86. Mu'āwiyah, 'Abdur Rahmān ibne-'Auf and 'Abdullāh ibne-'Amr ibn al-'Āṣ Raḍiyallāhu 'anhum narrate that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Migration is of two types. The first is to give up evils. The second is to migrate towards Allāh and His Messenger. Migration will not end till taubah (turning in repentance) is acceptable; and the acceptance of taubah (repentance will not end until the sun rises from the West. When the sun will rise from the West, the state of all the hearts will be sealed; and the prior deeds of people will suffice. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

٨٧- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَجُلٌ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَيُّ الْهِجْرَةِ أَفْضَلُ؟ قَالَ: أَنْ تَهْجُرَ مَا كَرِهَ رَبُّكَ عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: الْهِجْرَةُ هِجْرَتَانِ هِجْرَةُ الْحَاضِرِ وَهِجْرَةُ الْبَادِي، فَأَمَّا الْبَادِيُ فَيَجِيبُ إِذَا دُعِيَ وَيُطِيعُ إِذَا أُمِرَ، وَأَمَّا الْحَاضِرُ فَهُوَ أَعْظَمُهُمَا بَلِيَّةً وَأَعْظَمُهُمَا أَجْرًا. رواه النسائي، باب هجرة البادي، رقم: ٤١٧٠

87. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Amr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that a man said: O Rasūlallāh! Which migration is the best? He replied: You give up all those things that are disliked by Your Rabb 'Azza wa Jall. And Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Migration is of two types; migration of city dweller and migration of villagers. Migration of a villager is that, whenever he is called, he comes, and whenever he is commanded, he obeys. And the migration of a city dweller is greater in trial, and more rewarding. (Nasaī)

Note: The reward for one who lives in the city is more because of his pre-occupations and abundant belongings; which he must leave to migrate in the Path of Allāh.

٨٨- عَنْ وَائِلَةَ بْنِ الْأَسْقَعِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ لِي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: وَتَهَاجِرُ؟ قُلْتُ: نَعَمْ، قَالَ: هِجْرَةُ الْبَادِيَةِ أَوْ هِجْرَةُ الْبَائَةِ؟ قُلْتُ: أَيُّهُمَا أَفْضَلُ؟ قَالَ: هِجْرَةُ الْبَائَةِ، وَهِجْرَةُ الْبَائَةِ: أَنْ تَثْبُتَ مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، وَهِجْرَةُ الْبَادِيَةِ: أَنْ تَرْجِعَ إِلَى بَادِيَتِكَ، وَعَلَيْكَ السَّمْعُ وَالطَّاعَةُ فِي غُسْرِكَ وَيُسْرِكَ وَمَكْرَهِكَ وَمَنْشَطِكَ وَأَثَرَةٍ عَلَيْكَ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه الطبرانی ورجال أحمد ثقات،

88. Wāthilah ibn al Asqa' Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that: Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam asked me: Would you migrate? I replied: Yes. He asked: Acceptable (*Bādiyyah*) migration or obligatory (*Bāttah*) migration? I asked him: Which is more rewarding? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam replied: Obligatory migration, and obligatory migration is that you live with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, and acceptable migration is that you return to your place and make it imperative on yourself to listen to *Amīr* and obey him, in adverse and favourable conditions, whether you like it or not, and despite others being preferred over you. (Tabaranī, Majma'-uz-Zawāid)

Note: Obligatory migration (*Bāttah*) from Makkah to Madīnah was observed during the time of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam prior to the victory of Makkah. Acceptable migration (*Bādiyyah*) is to go out for a cause of Allāh and return to your place.

٨٩- عَنْ أَبِي فَاطِمَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: عَلَيْكَ بِالْهَجْرَةِ فَإِنَّهُ لَا مِثْلَ لَهَا.

رواه النسائي، باب البحث على الهجرة، رقم: ٤١٧٢

89. Abu Fātima Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: keep migrating in the Path of Allāh, for definitely there is no deed like it. (Nasāi)

٩٠- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَفْضَلُ الصَّدَقَاتِ ظِلُّ فُسْطَاطٍ فِي

سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، وَمَمِيجَةُ خَادِمٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، أَوْ طَرُوقَةٌ فَحَلٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث

حسن غريب صحيح، باب ما جاء في فضل الخدمة في سبيل الله، رقم: ١٦٢٧

90. Abu Umāma Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The best Ṣadaqah is to arrange for a tent so that people may benefit from its shade in the Path of Allāh, to gift a servant in the Path of Allāh, or to provide a camel (to serve as conveyance) in the Path of Allāh. (Tirmidhī)

٩١- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ لَمْ يَغْزُ أَوْ يُجَهَّزْ غَازِيًا أَوْ يَخْلُفَ غَازِيًا

فِي أَهْلِهِ يَخِيرُ. أَصَابَهُ اللَّهُ بِقَارَعَةٍ. قَالَ يَزِيدُ بْنُ عَبْدِ رَبِّهِ فِي حَدِيثِهِ: قَبْلَ يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ. رواه أبو داود،

باب كراهية ترك الغزو، رقم: ٢٥٠٣

91. Abu Umāmah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who did not participate in Jihād; or

equipped a Mujāhid (the man who strives in the Path of Allāh); or looked after the family of one who is in Jihād, Allāh will inflict him with some calamity. The narrator of ḥadīth, Yazīd ibne-‘Abde Rabbih refers to a calamity prior to the Day of Resurrection. (Abu Dāwūd)

٩٢- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ بَعَثَ إِلَى بَنِي لِحْيَانَ فَقَالَ: لِيُخْرَجَ مِنْ كُلِّ رَجُلَيْنِ رَجُلٌ ثُمَّ قَالَ لِلْقَاعِدِ: أَيُّكُمْ خَلَفَ الْخَارِجَ فِي أَهْلِهِ وَمَالِهِ بِخَيْرٍ، كَانَ لَهُ مِثْلُ يَصِفُ أَجْرَ الْخَارِجِ. رواه مسلم، باب فضل إعانة الغازي في سبيل الله، رقم: ٤٩٠٧

92. Abu Sa‘īd Al-Khudhrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam sent a message to Banū Liḥyān that said: From every two men, one man should go out in the Path of Allāh. Then he said to those who stayed behind: Any of you who looks well after the family and belongings of those who are in the Path of Allāh, for him will be half the reward. (Muslim)

٩٣- عَنْ زَيْدِ بْنِ خَالِدٍ الْجُهَنِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ جَهَّزَ حَاجًّا أَوْ جَهَّزَ غَارِيًّا، أَوْ خَلَفَهُ فِي أَهْلِهِ، أَوْ فَطَرَ صَائِمًا، فَلَهُ مِثْلُ أَجْرِهِ مِنْ غَيْرِ أَنْ يَنْقُصَ مِنْ أَجْرِهِ شَيْئًا. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٣/ ٨٠٤

93. Zaid ibne-Khālīd Juhanī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who assists one going for Ḥajj; or in the Path of Allāh; or looks after his family in his absence; or helps break the fast of one fasting; for him the reward is like those going for Ḥajj, or in the Path of Allāh, or fasting; without in any way reducing the reward of those who did these actions. (Baihaqī)

٩٤- عَنْ زَيْدِ بْنِ ثَابِتٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ جَهَّزَ غَارِيًّا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ فَلَهُ مِثْلُ أَجْرِهِ، وَمَنْ خَلَفَ غَارِيًّا فِي أَهْلِهِ بِخَيْرٍ وَأَنْفَقَ عَلَى أَهْلِهِ فَلَهُ مِثْلُ أَجْرِهِ. رواه الطبراني في الأوسط ورجاله رجال الصحيح، مجمع الزوائد ٥/ ١٥٥

94. Zaid ibne-Thābit Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who helps prepare for the journey of one going in the Path of Allāh, for him is the same reward. And he who looks after the families of those in the Path of Allāh in their absence, and spends on their families, for him also is the same reward. (Tabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٩٥- عَنْ بُرَيْدَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: حُرْمَةُ نِسَاءِ الْمُجَاهِدِينَ عَلَى الْقَاعِدِينَ كَحُرْمَةِ أُمَّهَاتِهِمْ، وَإِذَا خَلَفَهُ فِي أَهْلِهِ فَخَانَهُ قِيلَ لَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ: هَذَا خَانَكَ فِي أَهْلِكَ فَخَذْ مِنْ حَسَنَاتِهِ مَا شِئْتَ، فَمَا ظَنُّكُمْ؟ رواه النسائي، باب من خان غازيا في أهله، رقم: ٣١٩٢

95. Abu Buraidah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The respect of the women folk of the people who go out in the Path of Allāh, on those who stay behind, is similar to the respect of their own mothers. If anyone is entrusted to look after such a family but betrays (his trust), it will be said on the Day of Resurrection that this is that man who, betrayed your family; so take as many good deeds of his as you wish. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam then said: What do you think? (will this man leave any good deeds behind?). (Nasāī)

٩٦- عَنْ أَبِي مَسْعُودٍ الْأَنْصَارِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: جَاءَ رَجُلٌ بِنَاقَةٍ مَخْطُومَةٍ فَقَالَ: هَذِهِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَكَ بِهَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ سَبْعُ مِائَةِ نَاقَةٍ، كُلُّهَا مَخْطُومَةٌ. رواه مسلم، باب فضل الصدقة في سبيل الله، ٤٨٩٧، رقم:

96. Abu Mas‘ūd Al-Ansārī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a man came with a she-camel with a rope through its nose-ring, and said: I want to give this in the Path of Allāh. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: On the Day of Resurrection, in lieu of this you will be rewarded with seven hundred she-camels, all with a rope through their nose-rings. (Muslim)

Note: A she-camel with a nose-ring remains in control which facilitates riding on it.

٩٧- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ فَتًى مِنْ أَسْلَمَ قَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! إِنِّي أُرِيدُ الْغَزَا وَلَيْسَ مَعِيَ مَا أَتَجَهَّرُ، قَالَ: أَنْتَ فَلَانٌ فَإِنَّهُ قَدْ كَانَ تَجَهَّرُ فَمَرَضَ، فَأَتَاهُ فَقَالَ: إِنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يُقْرِئُكَ السَّلَامَ وَيَقُولُ: أَعْطِنِي الَّذِي تَجَهَّرْتَ بِهِ، قَالَ: يَا فَلَانُ! أَعْطِنِي الَّذِي تَجَهَّرْتَ بِهِ، وَلَا تَحْسِبْنِي عَنْهُ شَيْئًا، فَوَاللَّهِ! لَا تَحْسِبْنِي مِنْهُ شَيْئًا فَيَبَارِكَ لَكَ فِيهِ. رواه مسلم، باب فضل إعانة الغازي، ٤٩٠١، رقم:

97. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a young man from the tribe of Aslam said: O Rasūlallāh! I wish to go in the Path of Allāh, but I do not have anything to equip myself with. He said:

Go to such and such person, for he equipped himself but has fallen sick. So, he went to that person and said: Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam sends you his Salām and says that you give me all that stuff that you have prepared for Jihād. (The man asked his wife): So and so! Give him all I have prepared for Jihād and do not withhold anything from it. I swear by Allāh! Do not withhold anything from it, as there will be no blessing in it for you. (Muslim)

٩٨ - عَنْ زَيْدِ بْنِ ثَابِتٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ حَسَنَ فَرَسًا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ كَانَ سِتْرُهُ مِنْ نَارٍ. رواه عبد بن حميد، المسند الجامع ٥٤٧/٥

98. Zaid ibne-Thābit Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: He who donates a horse for the cause of Allāh, this deed will become a barrier for him from the Hell-Fire. ('Abd Ibne-Humaid, Musnad Jāmi')

THE ETIQUETTES AND DEEDS OF THE PATH OF ALLĀH TA'ĀLĀ

VERSES OF QUR'ĀN

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā sent Mūsā and Harūn 'Alaihimus salām for Dawat to Fir'aun and said to them:

Go, you and your brother, with My signs, and never be lethargic in remembering Me.

Go, both of you, to Fir'aun. He, indeed, has transgressed (the bounds).

And speak to him politely and gently that perhaps, he may accept the advice or may have fear (of the Punishment).

They said: O our Rabb! We indeed fear that he may hasten (to harm us) or he may transgress excessively.

He (Allāh) said: Fear not. Verily! I am with both of you, I will be Hearing and Seeing (meaning thereby I will guard you and put fear in the heart of Fir'aun, so you may convey my message fully).

Tā hā 20: 42-46

قال الله تعالى:

أَذْهَبْ أَنْتَ وَأَخُوكَ بِآيَاتِي وَلَا تَلِيَا فِي
ذِكْرِي

أَذْهَبَا إِلَىٰ فِرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَغَىٰ

فَقُولَا لَهُ قَوْلًا لِّئَلَّا يَعْلَمَ يَتَذَكَّرُ أَوْ
يَخْشَىٰ

قَالَا رَبَّنَا إِنَّا نَخَافُ أَنْ يُفْرِطَ عَلَيْنَا أَوْ أَنْ
يَطْغَىٰ

قَالَ لَا خَافَا إِنِّي مَعَكُمَا أَسْمَعُ
وَأَرَىٰ

[طه: ٤٦-٤٢]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

And by the Mercy of Allāh, you dealt with them gently. And had you been stern and hard-hearted, they would have broken away from you; so over look (their faults), and ask (Allāh's) forgiveness for them, and consult them in the conduct of (important) affairs. Then when you have resolved, put your trust in Allāh. Certainly! Allāh loves those who put their trust (in Him).

Āle 'Imrān 3: 159

وقال تعالى:

فِيمَا رَحِمَهُ مِنَ اللَّهِ لَنْتَ لَهُمْ وَلَوْ كُنْتَ
فَضًّا غَلِظَ الْقَلْبُ لَا نَقُضُوا مِنْ
حَوْلِكَ فَأَعْفُ عَنْهُمْ وَاسْتَغْفِرْ
لَهُمْ وَشَاوِرْهُمْ فِي الْأَمْرِ فَإِذَا
عَزَمْتَ فَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ

الْمُتَوَكِّلِينَ ﴿١٥٩﴾

[آل عمران: ١٥٩]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

Hold firmly to the habit of forgiveness, and enjoin what is good and (he who does not accept this order of goodness because of ignorance, then) turn away from (such) ignorant people (that is avoid quarrelling with them) And if an incitement from the Shaitān incites you, then seek refuge from Allāh. Verily! He (Allāh) is All-Hearer, All-Knower.

Al-A'raf 7: 199-200

وقال تعالى:

خُذِ الْعَفْوَ وَأْمُرْ
بِالْعُرْفِ وَأَعْرِضْ
عَنِ الْجَاهِلِينَ ﴿١٩٩﴾

وَأِمَّا يَنْزَغَنَّكَ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ نَزْعٌ
فَاسْتَوِذْ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٢٠٠﴾

[الأعراف : ١٩٩-٢٠٠]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

And bear patiently with what they say, and leave their company with grace and dignity.

Al-Muzzammil 73: 10

وقال تعالى:

وَأَصْبِرْ عَلَىٰ مَا يَقُولُونَ وَاهْجُرْهُمْ هَجْرًا
جَمِيلًا ﴿١٠﴾

[المزمّل: ١٠]

AHĀDĪTH

٩٩ - عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا زَوْجِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ حَدَّثَتْ أَنَّهَا قَالَتْ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! هَلْ أَتَى عَلَيْكَ يَوْمٌ كَانَ أَشَدَّ مِنْ يَوْمٍ أُخِذَ؟ فَقَالَ: لَقَدْ لَقِيتُ مِنْ قَوْمِكَ، وَكَانَ أَشَدَّ مَا لَقِيتُ مِنْهُمْ يَوْمَ الْعَقَبَةِ، إِذْ عَرَضْتُ نَفْسِي عَلَى ابْنِ عَبْدِ يَالِيلَ بْنِ عَبْدِ كَلَالٍ فَلَمْ يُجِبْنِي إِلَى مَا أَرَدْتُ، فَانْطَلَقْتُ وَأَنَا مَهْمُومٌ عَلَى وَجْهِی، فَلَمْ أَسْتَفِقْ إِلَّا بِقَرْنِ الثَّعَالِبِ، فَرَفَعْتُ رَأْسِي فَإِذَا أَنَا بِسَحَابَةٍ قَدْ أَظْلَمَتْنِي، فَتَنَظَرْتُ فَإِذَا فِيهَا جِبْرَائِيلُ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ، فَتَادَانِي، فَقَالَ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ قَدْ سَمِعَ قَوْلَ قَوْمِكَ لَكَ وَمَا رَدُّوا عَلَيْكَ، وَقَدْ بَعَثَ إِلَيْكَ مَلَكَ الْجِبَالِ لِتَأْمُرَهُ بِمَا شِئْتَ فِيهِمْ، قَالَ: فَتَادَانِي مَلَكُ الْجِبَالِ وَسَلَّمْ عَلَيَّ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: يَا مُحَمَّدُ! إِنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ سَمِعَ قَوْلَ قَوْمِكَ لَكَ، وَأَنَا مَلَكُ الْجِبَالِ، وَقَدْ بَعَثَنِي رَبُّكَ إِلَيْكَ لِتَأْمُرَنِي بِأَمْرِكَ، فَمَا شِئْتَ؟ (إِنْ شِئْتَ) أَطْبَقْتُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْأَحْشَبِينَ، فَقَالَ لَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: بَلْ أَرْجُو أَنْ يُخْرِجَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى مِنْ أَصْلَابِهِمْ مَنْ يَعْبُدُ اللَّهَ

وَحْدَهُ لَا يُشْرِكُ بِهِ شَيْئًا. رواه مسلم، باب ما لقي النبي ﷺ من أذى المشركين والمنافقين، رقم: ٤٦٥٣

99. 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'alaihi wife of Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam narrates that she asked Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam: O Rasūlallāh! Did you have any other day harder than the day of the battle of Uḥud? He answered: I have experienced much more at the hands of your people. The hardest was the day of 'Aqabah (Tāif). I presented myself to Ibne 'Abd Yā Lail ibne-'Abd Kalāl and offered to him Islām, but he did not accept what I offered. I left with deep sorrow the signs of which were visible on my face and did not feel relieved till I reached Qarn Tha'ālib (name of a place). I raised my head and saw a cloud shadowing me. When I looked up I saw Jibraīl 'Alaihis Salām in it. He called me and said: Indeed Allāh 'Azza wa Jall has heard what your people have said to you and their rejection to your offer. An angel in-charge of the mountains has been deputed to you. Command him whatever you like for them. The angel of the mountains called and greeted me with Salām and said: O Muḥammad! Allāh has heard what your people have said to you, and I am the angel of the mountains; and your Rabb has sent me to you so that I may carry out your orders. What do you want? (If you like) May I join the two mountains on them. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam replied: No, but I do hope that Allāh may bring forth from their progeny, those who

would worship Allāh the One, without ascribing anything as partners to Him. (Muslim)

١٠٠ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: كُنَّا مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي سَفَرٍ، فَأَقْبَلَ أَعْرَابِيٌّ، فَلَمَّا دَنَا قَالَ لَهُ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: أَيْنَ تَرِيدُ؟ قَالَ: إِلَى أَهْلِي قَالَ: هَلْ لَكَ فِي خَيْرٍ؟ قَالَ: وَمَا هُوَ؟ قَالَ: تَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، قَالَ: مَنْ شَهِدَ عَلَيَّ مَا تَقُولُ؟ قَالَ: هَذِهِ الشَّجَرَةُ، فَدَعَاهَا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَهِيَ بِشَاطِئِ الْوَادِي فَأَقْبَلَتْ تَخْدُ الْأَرْضَ خَدًّا حَتَّى جَاءَتْ بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ، فَاسْتَشْهَدَهَا ثَلَاثًا، فَشَهِدَتْ أَنَّهُ كَمَا قَالَ، ثُمَّ رَجَعَتْ إِلَى مَنْبَتِهَا وَرَجَعَ الْأَعْرَابِيُّ إِلَى قَوْمِهِ وَقَالَ: إِنْ يَتَّبِعُونِي آتِيكَ بِهِمْ، وَإِلَّا رَجَعْتُ إِلَيْكَ فَكُنْتُ مَعَكَ. رواه الطبرانی ورجاله رجال الصحيح ورواه أبو يعلى أيضا الزوار، مجمع الزوائد ١٧/٨

100. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that we were in a journey with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, when we met a villager. When he came closer, Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam asked him: Where do you intend to go? He said: To my family. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Should I tell you a good thing? He asked: What is that? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Testify:

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

I witness that none is worthy of worship but Allāh, Who has no partner; and I witness that Muḥammad is His slave and Messenger.

He said: Who is witness to your saying? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: This tree. So Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam called it which was at the end of the valley. That tree came forward tearing the earth, and stood before him. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam ordered for its testimony thrice. And it testified, whatever Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam had said. And then the tree returned to its place. The villager returned to his tribe, saying to Rasūlullāh ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam: If my people follow me, I will come back to you with all of them, or else I will come back and live with you. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

١٠١ - عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ لِعَلِيِّ يَوْمَ خَيْبَرَ: انْفِذْ عَلَيَّ رِسْلَكَ، حَتَّى تَنْزِلَ بِسَاحَتِهِمْ، ثُمَّ ادْعُهُمْ إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ، وَأَخْبِرْهُمْ بِمَا يَجِبُ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنْ حَقِّ اللَّهِ

فِيهِ، فَوَاللَّهِ! لَأَنْ يَهْدِيَ اللَّهُ بِكَ رَجُلًا وَاحِدًا خَيْرٌ لَكَ مِنْ أَنْ يَكُونَ لَكَ حُمْرُ النَّعَمِ. (وهو جزء من الحديث) رواه مسلم، باب من فضائل علي بن أبي طالب رضى الله عنه، رقم: ٦٢٢٣

101. Sahl ibne-Sa'd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said to 'Alī on the day of Khyber: Advance with contentment till you reach their camping place. Then invite them towards Islām, and inform them of the rights of Allāh that have been imposed upon them. I swear by Allāh, if even a single person through your efforts is blessed with guidance, it is better for you than to have red camels. (Muslim)

Note: Arabs consider red camels as one of the most valuable possessions.

١٠٢ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: بَلِّغُوا عَنِّي وَلَوْ آيَةً. (الحديث) رواه البخارى، باب ما ذكر عن بنى اسرائيل، رقم: ٣٤٦١

102. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Amr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhūma narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Convey from me even if it be a single verse. (Bukhārī)

Note: The objective of this ḥadīth is to endeavour as much as possible to convey the teachings of Deen. If the things that you are conveying are very brief, even so, others may be blessed with guidance by it. You will be rewarded for this, and blessed with numerous virtues. (Maẓāhir-e-Ḥaqqe)

١٠٣ - عَنْ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ عَائِدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ: كَانَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ إِذَا بَعَثَ بَعْثًا قَالَ: تَأَلَّفُوا النَّاسَ، وَتَأَنَّنُوا بِهِمْ، وَلَا تُغَيِّرُوا عَلَيْهِمْ حَتَّى تَدْعُوهُمْ، فَمَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ مِنْ أَهْلِ بَيْتٍ مَدْرٍ وَلَا وَيْرٍ إِلَّا وَأَنْ تَأْتُونِي بِهِمْ مُسْلِمِينَ أَحَبُّ إِلَيَّ مِنْ أَنْ تَقْتُلُوا رِجَالَهُمْ وَتَأْتُونِي بِنِسَائِهِمْ. المطالب العالیه ١٦٦/٢، وذكر صاحب الإصابة بنحوه ١٥٢/٣

103. 'Abdur Raḥmān ibne-'Āidh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that whenever Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam sent any expedition, he told them: Develop good relation with people, and treat them kindly. Do not attack them until you have invited them to Islām. All people on this earth, whether living in mud or concrete houses, villages or cities, if you bring them to me as Muslims, it will be much dearer to me than killing them and bringing their women to me. (Maṭālib-ul-'Āliyah, Iṣābah)

١٠٤- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: تَسْمَعُونَ وَيَسْمَعُ مِنْكُمْ، وَيُسْمَعُ مِنْ مَنْ يَسْمَعُ مِنْكُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب فضل نشر العلم، رقم: ٣٦٥٩

104. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Today you listen to me about Deen (religion); tomorrow you will be heard. And then it will be heard from those, who heard from you. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٠٥- عَنِ الْأَخْنَفِ بْنِ قَيْسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: بَيْنَا أَنَا أَطُوفُ بِالْبَيْتِ فِي زَمَنِ عُثْمَانَ بْنِ عَفَّانٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ إِذْ جَاءَ رَجُلٌ مِنْ بَنِي لَيْثٍ وَأَخَذَ يَدِي فَقَالَ: أَلَا أُبَشِّرُكَ؟ قُلْتُ: بَلَى! فَقَالَ: هَلْ تَذْكُرُ إِذْ بَعَثَنِي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ إِلَى قَوْمِكَ بَنِي سَعْدٍ فَجَعَلْتُ أَعْرِضُ عَلَيْهِمُ الْإِسْلَامَ وَأَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَيْهِ، فَقُلْتُ أَنْتَ إِنَّكَ تَدْعُو إِلَى الْخَيْرِ وَتَأْمُرُ بِالْخَيْرِ وَإِنَّهُ لَيَدْعُو إِلَى الْخَيْرِ وَيَأْمُرُ بِالْخَيْرِ، فَلَبَّغْتُ ذَلِكَ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فَقَالَ: اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْأَخْنَفِ بْنِ قَيْسٍ، فَكَانَ الْأَخْنَفُ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَقُولُ: مَا مِنْ عَمَلٍ شَيْءٍ أَرْجَى لِي مِنْهُ. رواه الحاكم في المستدرک ٣/٦١٤

105. Aḥnaf ibne-Qais Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that when I was performing *Tawāf* of Ka'bah (to go around the house of Allāh) during the time of 'Uthmān ibne-'Affān Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu, a man of Banu Laith came to me, and held my hand and said: May I not give you a glad tidings? I said: Do tell me. He said: Do you remember when Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam sent me to your people, Bani Sa'ad? I started presenting and inviting them to Islām. You said: You are inviting us to good and enjoining us to do good and Rasūlullāh is also inviting us to good and enjoining us to do good. I conveyed this to Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam. He said:

“O Allāh! Forgive Aḥnaf ibne-Qais.” Aḥnaf Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu used to say: I have greater hopes with this Du'ā (of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam) than any of my good deeds. (Mustadrak Ḥākīm)

١٠٦- عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: أَرْسَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ رَجُلًا مِنْ أَصْحَابِهِ إِلَى رَأْسِ مِنْ رُؤُوسِ الْمُشْرِكِينَ يَدْعُوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ، فَقَالَ: هَذَا إِلَهِ الَّذِينَ تَدْعُو إِلَيْهِ أَمِنْ فِضَّةٍ هُوَ؟ أَمْ مِنْ نَحَاسٍ هُوَ؟ فَتَعَاطَمَ مَقَالَتُهُ فِي صَدْرِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَرَجَعَ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فَأَخْبَرَهُ، فَقَالَ: ارْجِعْ

إِلَيْهِ فَادْعُهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ، فَرَجَعَ فَقَالَ لَهُ مِثْلَ مَقَالَتِهِ، فَأَتَى رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَأَخْبَرَهُ فَقَالَ: ازْجِعْ إِلَيْهِ فَادْعُهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ، وَرَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي الطَّرِيقِ لَا يَعْلَمُ، فَأَتَى النَّبِيَّ ﷺ فَأَخْبَرَهُ أَنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ أَهْلَكَ صَاحِبَهُ، وَنَزَلَتْ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ "وَيُرْسِلُ الصَّوَاعِقُ فَيُصِيبُ بِهَا مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُمْ يُجَادِلُونَ فِي

اللَّهُ". رواه أبو يعلى، قال المحقق: إسناده حسن ٣٥١/٣

106. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam deputed a Ṣaḥābī to one of the chiefs from the chiefs of the polytheists to invite him to Allāh. The chief said: Is the deity, towards whom you are inviting me, made of silver or copper? His remark displeased the heart of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam’s envoy. He returned to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and informed him. He asked the Ṣaḥābī to go back and invite him to Allāh. So, he went back and invited him again. The chief repeated his earlier remark. The Ṣaḥābī again came to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and told him about his remark. He said: Go and invite him to Allāh again. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam was on his way, and did not know (what happened) when that Ṣaḥābī came to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and informed him that Allāh had killed him (by lightning), and Allāh revealed this verse to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam

وَيُرْسِلُ الصَّوَاعِقُ فَيُصِيبُ بِهَا مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُمْ يُجَادِلُونَ فِي اللَّهِ

He (Allāh) sends down lightning on the earth, to strike whomsoever He wills, and these people dispute concerning Allāh.

(Musnad Abu Ya‘lā)

١٠٧- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ لِمُعَاذِ بْنِ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ حِينَ بَعَثَهُ إِلَى الْيَمَنِ: إِنَّكَ سَتَأْتِي قَوْمًا أَهْلَ كِتَابٍ، فَإِذَا جِئْتَهُمْ فَادْعُهُمْ إِلَى أَنْ يَشْهَدُوا أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ، فَإِنْ هُمْ أَطَاعُوا لَكَ بِذَلِكَ فَأَخْبِرْهُمْ أَنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ فَرَضَ عَلَيْهِمْ خَمْسَ صَلَوَاتٍ فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ وَلَيْلَةٍ، فَإِنْ هُمْ أَطَاعُوا لَكَ بِذَلِكَ فَأَخْبِرْهُمْ أَنَّ اللَّهَ قَدْ فَرَضَ عَلَيْهِمْ صَدَقَةً تَوْخِذًا مِنْ أَغْنِيَانِهِمْ فَتَرَدُّ عَلَى فُقَرَائِهِمْ، فَإِنْ هُمْ أَطَاعُوا لَكَ بِذَلِكَ فَإِيَّاكَ وَكَرَائِمَ أَمْوَالِهِمْ، وَآتَى دَعْوَةَ الْمَظْلُومِ فَإِنَّهُ لَيْسَ بَيْنَهَا وَبَيْنَ اللَّهِ حِجَابٌ. رواه البخارى، باب أخذ الصدقة من

الأغنياء، ١٤٩٦، رقم

107. Ibne-‘Abbās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhūma narrates that Rasūlullāh

Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told Mu‘ādh ibne-Jabal Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu while sending him to Yemen: You are going to such a nation who are the people of the Book. When you reach them invite them to testify: “None is worthy of worship but Allāh and Muḥammad ‘is His Messenger.” If they accept this, tell them Allāh has made obligatory for them five times Ṣalāt in a day and night. If they accept that too, then tell them Allāh has made Zakāt obligatory for them, which is to be taken from their rich and given to their poor. If they accept that too, then refrain from taking the best of their property. Protect yourself from the curse of the oppressed, for there is no barrier between him and Allāh. (Bukhārī)

١٠٨- عَنْ الْبَرَاءِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ بَعَثَ خَالِدَ بْنَ الْوَلِيدِ إِلَى أَهْلِ الْيَمَنِ يَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ، قَالَ الْبَرَاءُ: فَكُنْتُ فِيْمَنْ خَرَجَ مَعَ خَالِدِ بْنِ الْوَلِيدِ، فَأَقَمْنَا سِتَّةَ أَشْهُرٍ يَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ فَلَمْ يُجِيبُوهُ، ثُمَّ إِنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ بَعَثَ عَلِيَّ بْنَ أَبِي طَالِبٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ وَأَمَرَهُ أَنْ يُقْفَلَ خَالِدًا إِلَّا رَجُلًا كَانَ مِمَّنْ مَعَ خَالِدٍ فَأَحَبَّ أَنْ يُعَقَّبَ مَعَ عَلِيٍّ فَلْيُعَقَّبَ مَعَهُ، قَالَ الْبَرَاءُ: فَكُنْتُ فِيْمَنْ عَقَّبَ مَعَ عَلِيٍّ، فَلَمَّا دَنَوْنَا مِنَ الْقَوْمِ خَرَجُوا إِلَيْنَا، ثُمَّ تَقَدَّمَ فَصَلَّى بِنَا عَلَيَّ ثُمَّ صَفَّنَا صَفًّا وَاحِدًا، ثُمَّ تَقَدَّمَ بَيْنَ أَيْدِينَا وَقَرَأَ عَلَيْهِمْ كِتَابَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَأَسْلَمَتْ هَمْدَانُ جَمِيعًا، فَكَتَبَ عَلِيٌّ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ بِإِسْلَامِهِمْ، فَلَمَّا قَرَأَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ الْكِتَابَ خَرَّ سَاجِدًا ثُمَّ رَفَعَ رَأْسَهُ فَقَالَ: “السَّلَامُ عَلَى هَمْدَانَ، السَّلَامُ عَلَى هَمْدَانَ.” قَالَ الْبَيْهَقِيُّ: رَوَاهُ الْبُخَارِيُّ مُخْتَصَرًا

من وجه آخر عن ابراهيم بن يوسف، البداية والنهاية ١٠١/٥

108. Barā Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam deputed Khālīd ibne-Walīd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu to the people of Yemen to invite them to Islām. Barā says: I was included in that group accompanying Khālīd. We stayed there for six months. He invited them to Islām but they did not accept Islām. Then, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam sent ‘Alī ibne-Abi Ṭālib Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu and ordered him to send Khālīd back and those accompanying him, but those who wanted to stay with ‘Alī, could stay with him. Barā says: I was among those who stayed with ‘Alī. When we reached close to the people of Yemen, they came out facing us. ‘Alī advanced and led the Ṣalāt. Then, he lined us in a row and then stepped forward from us and read to them the letter of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. The entire tribe of Hamadān

accepted Islām and 'Alī wrote a letter to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam about their accepting Islām. The letter was read before Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam who then went into prostration. Then raising his head, he prayed: Peace be on Hamadān, peace be on Hamadān. (Bukhārī, Baihaqī, Bidāyah-wan-Nihāyah)

١٠٩ - عَنْ خُرَيْمِ بْنِ فَاتِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ أَنْفَقَ نَفَقَةً فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

كُتِبَتْ لَهُ سَبْعُمِائَةِ ضِعْفٍ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن، باب ما جاء في فضل النفقة في سبيل الله،

رقم: ١٦٢٥

109. Khuraim ibne-Fātik Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who spends in the Path of Allāh, seven hundred times of that is recorded in his book of deeds. (Tirmidhī)

١١٠ - عَنْ مُعَاذِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ وَالصَّيَامَ وَالذِّكْرَ

يُضَاعَفُ عَلَى النَّفَقَةِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ بِسَبْعِ مِائَةٍ ضِعْفٍ. رواه أبو داود، باب في تضعيف الذكر في

سبيل الله عز وجل، رقم: ٢٤٩٨

110. Mu'adh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Verily, the reward of offering Ṣalāt, Ṣiyām and Dhikr, in the Path of Allāh is enhanced, seven hundred times over the spending in the Path of Allāh. (Abu Dāwūd)

١١١ - عَنْ مُعَاذِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ الذِّكْرَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ يُضَاعَفُ فَوْقَ

النَّفَقَةِ بِسَبْعِ مِائَةٍ ضِعْفٍ. قال يحيى في حديثه: بِسَبْعِمِائَةِ أَلْفٍ ضِعْفٍ. رواه أحمد ٤٣٨/٣

111. Mu'adh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Verily, the reward of remembrance of Allāh, in the Path of Allāh is enhanced seven hundred times over the spending thereof. In another narration the reward is increased seven hundred thousand times. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١١٢ - عَنْ مُعَاذِ الْجُهَنِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ قَرَأَ أَلْفَ آيَةٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ،

كُتِبَ لَهُ مَعَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصَّادِقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ وَالصَّالِحِينَ. رواه الحاكم وقال: هذا حديث صحيح الإسناد

ولم يخرجاه ووافقه الذهبي ٨٧/٢

112. Mu'adh Al Juhanī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh

Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who recites a thousand verses (of the Qur’ān) in the Path of Allāh, Allāh will reckon him amongst Prophets, truthful followers, martyrs, and righteous. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

١١٣ - عَنْ عَلِيٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: مَا كَانَ فِينَا فَارِسٌ يَوْمَ بَدْرٍ غَيْرَ الْمِقْدَادِ، وَلَقَدْ رَأَيْنَا وَمَا فِينَا إِلَّا نَائِمٌ إِلَّا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ تَحْتَ شَجَرَةٍ يُصَلِّي وَيَبْكِي حَتَّى أَصْبَحَ. رواه أحمد ١/١٢٥

113. ‘Alī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that no one was riding a horse on the day of Badar except Miqdād. I observed that we were all asleep except Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, who was offering Ṣalāt under a tree, and weeping till it dawned. (Musnad Ahmad)

١١٤ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ صَامَ يَوْمًا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بَاعَدَ اللَّهُ بَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ النَّارِ بِذَلِكَ الْيَوْمِ سَبْعِينَ خَرِيفًا. رواه النسائي، باب ثواب من صام ١٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٢٤٧

114. Abu Sa‘īd Al Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who fasts for a day in the Path of Allāh, Allāh will keep him away from Hell by a distance of seventy years of journey. (Nasāī)

١١٥ - عَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ عَبَسَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ صَامَ يَوْمًا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ بَعُدَتْ مِنْهُ النَّارُ مَسِيرَةَ مِائَةِ عَامٍ. رواه الطبرانی في الكبير والأوسط ورجاله موثقون، مجمع الزوائد ٣/٤٤٤

115. ‘Amr ibne-‘Abasah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who fasts for a day in the Path of Allāh, the Hell-Fire will be kept away from him by a distance of hundred years of journey. (Tabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١١٦ - عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ الْبَاهِلِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ صَامَ يَوْمًا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ بَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ النَّارِ خَنْدَقًا كَمَا بَيْنَ السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب ما جاء في فضل الصوم في سبيل الله، رقم: ١٦٢٤

116. Abu Umāmah Bāhilī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If anyone fasts for a day in the Path of Allāh; Allāh puts a trench between him and Hell, which is as wide as the distance between the heavens and the earth. (Tirmidhī)

١١٧ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنَّا مَعَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ، أَكْفَرْنَا ظِلًّا مَنْ يَسْتَظِلُّ بِكِسَائِهِ، وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ صَامُوا فَلَمْ يَعْمَلُوا شَيْئًا، وَأَمَّا الَّذِينَ أَفْطَرُوا فَبَعَثُوا الرِّكَابَ وَامْتَهَنُوا وَعَالَجُوا، فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: ذَهَبَ الْمُفْطَرُونَ الْيَوْمَ بِالْأَجْرِ. رواه البخارى، باب فضل الخدمة فى الغزو، رقم: ٢٨٩٠

117. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that we were with Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam; the one amongst us who used his own sheet for shade had the maximum shade. Those who were fasting could not do any work. And those who were not fasting, arose and set up the tents, watered the animals, and did all the painstaking hard work. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Those not fasting have earned all the reward today. (Bukhārī)

١١٨ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنَّا نَغْزُو مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي رَمَضَانَ، فَمِنَّا الصَّائِمُ وَمِنَّا الْمُفْطِرُ، فَلَا يَجِدُ الصَّائِمُ عَلَى الْمُفْطِرِ وَلَا الْمُفْطِرُ عَلَى الصَّائِمِ، يَرَوْنَ أَنَّ مَنْ وَجَدَ قُوَّةَ فَصَامَ فَإِنَّ ذَلِكَ حَسَنٌ، وَيَرَوْنَ أَنَّ مَنْ وَجَدَ ضَعْفًا فَأَفْطَرَ فَإِنَّ ذَلِكَ حَسَنٌ. رواه مسلم، باب جواز الصوم والفطر فى شهر رمضان، رقم: ٢٦١٨

118. Abu Sa‘īd Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that we used to go on expeditions with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam during the month of Ramaḍān. Some of us fasted, and some of us did not fast. Those fasting were not displeased with the ones who were not fasting, nor those who were not fasting displeased with those who were fasting. They knew that those who had strength enough kept fast and that was good for them. Those who felt weak did not fast, and that was good for them. (Muslim)

١١٩ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ الْخَطَمِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كَانَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ إِذَا أَرَادَ أَنْ يَسْتَوْدِعَ الْجَيْشَ قَالَ: أَسْتَوْدِعُ اللَّهَ دِينَكُمْ وَأَمَانَتَكُمْ وَخَوَاتِيمَ أَعْمَالِكُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب فى الدعاء عند الوداع، رقم: ٢٦٠١

119. ‘Abdullāh Al-Khatimī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that when Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam wanted to bid farewell to the troops, he used to say:

أَسْتَوْدِعُ اللَّهَ دِينَكُمْ وَأَمَانَتَكُمْ وَخَوَاتِيمَ أَعْمَالِكُمْ

I hand over to Allāh your Deen, your *Amānah* and your final deeds, (in Whose custody things are not lost).

(Badhl-ul-Majhūd)

Note: The *Amānah* includes the members of the family, wealth and belongings, and all the things that are given to a person; these are entrusted from Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā. Similarly, this includes *Amānah* (belongings) of people entrusted with one who is going on a journey or his belongings entrusted with the people. What a comprehensive du'ā is made in this brief phrase that is: May Allāh take care of your religion, your family, your wealth and property, and give a good end to your deeds.

١٢٠ - عَنْ عَلِيٍّ بْنِ رَبِيعَةَ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: شَهِدْتُ عَلِيًّا رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ وَاتَى بِدَابَّةٍ لِيَرْكَبَهَا، فَلَمَّا وَضَعَ رِجْلَهُ فِي الرِّكَابِ قَالَ: بِسْمِ اللَّهِ، فَلَمَّا اسْتَوَى عَلَى ظَهْرِهَا قَالَ: الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ مُقْرِنِينَ وَإِنَّا إِلَى رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ، ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: سُبْحَانَكَ إِنِّي ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي فَاغْفِرْ لِي إِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ، ثُمَّ ضَحِكَ، فَقِيلَ: يَا أَمِيرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ! مِنْ أَى شَيْءٍ ضَحِكْتَ؟ قَالَ: رَأَيْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَعَلَّ كَمَا فَعَلْتُ ثُمَّ ضَحِكَ فَقُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مِنْ أَى شَيْءٍ ضَحِكْتَ؟ قَالَ: إِنَّ رَبَّكَ تَعَالَى يَعْجَبُ مِنْ عَبْدِهِ إِذَا قَالَ: اغْفِرْ لِي ذُنُوبِي، يَعْلَمُ أَنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ غَيْرِي.

رواه أبو داود، باب ما يقول الرجل إذا ركب، رقم: ٢٦٠٢

120. 'Alī ibne-Rabī'ah Raḥmatullāhi 'alaihi narrates: I was present with 'Alī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu when an animal was brought him for riding. As he put his foot in the stirrup, he said: *Bismillāh* (In the name of Allāh). When he sat on its back he said: *Alḥamdulillāh* (Praise be to Allāh), and then said:

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ مُقْرِنِينَ وَإِنَّا إِلَى رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ

Glory to Him, Who has made this subservient to us, for we had not the strength to control it, and verily to our Rabb we are to return.

He then said thrice: *Alḥamdulillāh* (Praise be to Allāh) and thrice *Allāhu Akbar* (Allāh is the Greatest). Then he said:

سُبْحَانَكَ إِنِّي ظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي فَاغْفِرْ لِي إِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ

Glory be to You, I have wronged myself, so forgive me, as none except You can forgive.

Then he smiled. It was asked O Amirul Mu'minin (Commander of Faithful): What makes you smile? He said: I saw Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam doing as I have done and when he smiled,

I asked: O Rasūlallāh! What makes you smile? He replied: Your Rabb Ta‘ālā, is pleased with His servant, when he says: Forgive my sins; as he is well aware that none except Him forgives sins. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: Stirrup is a ring made of iron, which hangs on the two sides of the saddle of the horse, and the rider mounts on the horse by putting his foot in it.

١٢١ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ كَانَ إِذَا اسْتَوَى عَلَى بَعِيرِهِ خَارِجًا إِلَى سَفَرٍ، كَبَّرَ ثَلَاثًا، قَالَ:

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي سَخَّرَ لَنَا هَذَا وَمَا كُنَّا لَهُ مُقْرِنِينَ، وَإِنَّا إِلَى رَبِّنَا لَمُنْقَلِبُونَ، اللَّهُمَّ! إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ فِي سَفَرِنَا هَذَا الْبِرَّ وَالتَّقْوَى، وَمِنَ الْعَمَلِ مَا تَرْضَى، اللَّهُمَّ! هَوِّنْ عَلَيْنَا سَفَرَنَا هَذَا، وَاطْوِ عَنَّا بُعْدَهُ، اللَّهُمَّ أَنْتَ الصَّاحِبُ فِي السَّفَرِ، وَالْخَلِيفَةُ فِي الْأَهْلِ، اللَّهُمَّ! إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ وَعَثَاءِ السَّفَرِ، وَكَآبَةِ الْمَنْظَرِ، وَسَوْءِ الْمُنْقَلَبِ فِي الْمَالِ وَالْأَهْلِ، وَإِذَا رَجَعَ قَالَهُنَّ وَزَادَ فِيهِنَّ: أَتَيْتُكُمْ، تَائِبُونَ، عَابِدُونَ، لِرَبِّنَا حَامِدُونَ. رواه

مسلم، باب استحباب الذكر إذا ركب دابته ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٣٢٧٥

121. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that when Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam used to mount his animal for setting out on a journey, he would say *Allāhu Akbar* (Allāh is the Greatest) three times and then pray:

سُبْحَانَ الَّذِي.....وَالْأَهْلِ

Glory to Him Who has made this subservient to us, for we had no strength to control it, and verily to our Rabb do we return. O Allāh! We seek virtue and piety from You in this journey and those acts that please You. O Allāh! Make easy for us this journey and fold up its length for us. O Allāh! You are our companion in the journey, and the One Who looks after the family. O Allāh! I seek refuge with You from the hardships of this journey and of witnessing undesirable events and finding undesirable changes in property and family on return.

And when he would returned from the journey, he used to say the same words and made this addition:

أَتَيْتُكُمْ، تَائِبُونَ، عَابِدُونَ، لِرَبِّنَا حَامِدُونَ

We are returning, repenting, worshipping and praising our Rabb.

(Muslim)

١٢٢ - عَنْ صُهَيْبٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ لَمْ يَرْقُرْ قَرْيَةً يُرِيدُ دُخُولَهَا إِلَّا قَالَ حِينَ يَرَاهَا:

اَللّٰهُمَّ رَبَّ السَّمٰوٰتِ السَّبْعِ وَمَا اُظْلِلْنَ، وَرَبَّ اَلْاَرْضَيْنِ السَّبْعِ وَمَا اُقْلِلْنَ، وَرَبَّ الشَّيَاطِينِ وَمَا اُضْلِلْنَ، وَرَبَّ الرِّيَّاحِ وَمَا دُرِينَ فَإِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ خَيْرَ هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ وَخَيْرِ أَهْلِهَا، وَنَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّهَا وَشَرِّ أَهْلِهَا، وَشَرِّ مَا فِيْهَا. رواه الحاكم وقال هذا حديث

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122. Sohaib Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that whenever Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam intended to enter into a town, he invoked on seeing the town:

اَللّٰهُمَّ رَبَّ السَّمٰوٰتِ مَا فِيْهَا

O Allāh! The Rabb of seven skies and of all the things which the seven skies shade; and the Rabb of seven earths and of all the things which the seven earths contain; and the Rabb of Shaiṭāns and of those who were led astray by them; and the Rabb of winds and those things which blow by these winds, we ask You of the good of this town and the good of its inhabitants and the good which is there in this town; and seek refuge with You, from the evil of this town, and of the evil of its inhabitants and the evil of everything that is in this town.

(Mustadrak Ḥākim)

١٢٣ - عَنْ خَوْلَةَ بِنْتِ حَكِيمٍ السُّلَمِيَّةِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا تَقُولُ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ نَزَلَ مِنْزِلًا ثُمَّ قَالَ: أَعُوْذُ بِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ التَّامَّاتِ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ، لَمْ يَضُرَّهُ شَيْءٌ حَتَّى يَرْتَحِلَ مِنْ مَنَزِلِهِ ذَلِكَ. رواه مسلم، باب في التعوذ من سوء القضاء، ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٦٨٧٨

123. Khawlah binte Ḥakīm As-Sulamiyyah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhā narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Whoever on arrival somewhere says:

أَعُوْذُ بِكَلِمَاتِ اللَّهِ التَّامَّاتِ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ

I seek refuge in Allāh's perfect words from the evil of what He has created.

Then no evil will befall him, till he departs from where he arrived. (Muslim)

١٢٤ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْنَا يَوْمَ الْخَنْدَقِ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! هَلْ مِنْ شَيْءٍ نَقُولُهُ فَقَدْ بَلَغَتْ الْقُلُوبُ الْحَنَاجِرَ، قَالَ: نَعَمْ! اللَّهُمَّ اسْتُرْ عَوْرَاتِنَا وَآمِنْ رَوْعَاتِنَا قَالَ:

فَضْرَبَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَجْهَهُ أَعْدَانَهُ بِالرَّيْحِ، فَهَزَمَهُمُ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ بِالرَّيْحِ. رواه أحمد ٣/٣

124. Abu Sa'īd Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that at the Battle of Trench, we asked: O Rasūlallāh! Is there anything to invoke as our hearts are in our mouth. He said: Yes. (Say this):

اللَّهُمَّ اسْتُرْ عَوْرَاتِنَا وَآمِنْ رَوْعَاتِنَا

O Allāh! Hide our weaknesses and give us security from fear.

Abu Sa'īd Al-Khudrī says: (We started saying these words and with its blessing) Allāh 'Azza wa Jall sent a wind on the faces of the enemies, and Allāh 'Azza wa Jall defeated them by the wind. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٢٥ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ أَنْفَقَ زَوْجَيْنِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ دَعَاهُ خَزَنَةُ الْجَنَّةِ، كُلُّ خَزَنَةٍ بَابٍ: أَيْ قُلْ هَلُمَّ، قَالَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! ذَاكَ الَّذِي لَا تَوَى عَلَيْهِ،

فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: إِنِّي لَأَرْجُو أَنْ تَكُونَ مِنْهُمْ. رواه البخارى، باب فضل النفقة في سبيل الله، رقم: ٢٨٤١

125. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who contributes a pair of anything (for instance – two clothes or two horses) in the Path of Allāh, he would be invited by the warden of Paradise to enter. Every warden will invite him from his door: O such and such! Come in. Abu Bakr said: O Rasūlallāh! That person shall have no fear. Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: I do hope that you will be one of those. (Bukhārī)

١٢٦ - عَنْ ثَوْبَانَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَفْضَلُ دِينَارٍ دِينَارٌ يُنْفِقُهُ الرَّجُلُ عَلَى عِيَالِهِ، وَدِينَارٌ يُنْفِقُهُ عَلَى فَرَسِهِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، وَدِينَارٌ يُنْفِقُهُ الرَّجُلُ عَلَى أَصْحَابِهِ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ.

رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: إسناده صحيح ٥٠٣/١٠

126. Thawbān Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: The most rewarding dinār, is that dinār a man spends on his family, and the dinār he spends on his horse in the Path of Allāh, and the dinār he spends on his colleagues in the Path of Allāh. (Dinār is the name of a golden coin). (Ibne-Hibbān)

١٢٧- وَيُرَوَّى عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: مَا رَأَيْتُ أَحَدًا أَكْثَرَ مَشُورَةً لِأَصْحَابِهِ مِنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ. رواه الترمذی، باب ما جاء في المشورة، رقم: ١٧١٤

127. It is narrated by Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu that I did not see anyone consulting so frequently with his companions, as Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam did. (Tirmidhī)

١٢٨- عَنْ عَلِيٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! إِنْ نَزَلَ بِنَا أَمْرٌ لَيْسَ فِيهِ بَيَانٌ أَمْرٌ وَلَا نَهْيٌ فَمَا تَأْمُرُنَا؟ قَالَ: شَاوِرُوا فِيهِ الْفُقَهَاءَ وَالْعَابِدِينَ، وَلَا تَمْضُوا فِيهِ رَأْيَ خَاصَّةٍ. رواه الطبرانی فی الأوسط ورجاله موثقون من أهل الصحيح، مجمع الزوائد ١/٢٨٤

128. ‘Alī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that he asked: O Rasūlallāh! If we have a matter in which we do not have any specific order, to do or not to do, what do you order in this regard to us? He said: Consult those who have good understanding of Deen and are devout worshippers, and do not decide on an individual opinion. (Tabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١٢٩- عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: لَمَّا نَزَلَتْ هَذِهِ الْآيَةُ ﴿وَشَاوِرْهُمْ فِي الْأَمْرِ﴾ الْآيَةُ، قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَمَّا إِنْ أَمَرَ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ غَيَّابًا عَنْهُمَا وَلَكِنْ جَعَلَهَا اللَّهُ رَحْمَةً لَأُمَّتِي، فَمَنْ شَاوَرَ مِنْهُمْ لَمْ يَعْذَمْ رُشْدًا، وَمَنْ تَرَكَ الْمَشُورَةَ مِنْهُمْ لَمْ يَعْذَمْ عَنَاءً. رواه البيهقي ٦/٧٦

129. Ibne-‘Abbās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that when this verse was revealed: (And consult them in affairs), then Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Behold! Allāh and His Messenger are above consultation. However, Allāh has made this a source of blessing for my Ummah. So, anyone of my Ummah who consults others, he remains on the straight path, and anyone who gives up consultation he remains in distress. (Baihaqī)

١٣٠- عَنْ عُثْمَانَ بْنِ عَفَّانَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: حَرَسُ لَيْلَةٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ تَعَالَى أَفْضَلُ مِنْ أَلْفِ لَيْلَةٍ يَقَامُ لَيْلَهَا وَيَصُومُ نَهَارَهَا. رواه أحمد ١/٦١

130. ‘Uthmān ibne-‘Affān Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: To be a guard a single night in the Path of Allāh Ta‘ālā, is better than a thousand nights of worship standing by night and fasting in the day. (Musnad Ahīmad)

١٣١- عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ الْحَنْظَلِيَّةِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ (يَوْمَ حُتَيْنَ): مَنْ يَحْرُسُنَا اللَّيْلَةَ؟ قَالَ أَنَسُ بْنُ أَبِي مَرْثَدٍ الْغَنَوِيُّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا: أَنَا يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! قَالَ: فَارْكَبْ، فَارْكَبْ فَرَسًا لَهُ وَجَاءَ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَقَالَ لَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: اسْتَغْبِلْ هَذَا الشَّعْبَ حَتَّى تَكُونَ فِي أَغْلَاهُ، وَلَا نَعْرَنَنَّ مِنْ قِبَلِكَ اللَّيْلَةَ، فَلَمَّا أَصْبَحْنَا خَرَجَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ إِلَى مُصَلَّاهُ فَرَكَعَ رَكْعَتَيْنِ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: هَلْ أَحْسَنْتُمْ فَارِسَكُمْ؟ قَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مَا أَحْسَنْتَنَاهُ، فَتَوَرَّبَ بِالصَّلَاةِ، فَجَعَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ يُصَلِّي وَهُوَ يَتَلَفَّتُ إِلَى الشَّعْبِ حَتَّى إِذَا قَضَى صَلَاتَهُ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ: أَبْشِرُوا فَقَدْ جَاءَ كُمْ فَارِسَكُمْ، فَجَعَلْنَا نَنْظُرُ إِلَى خِلَالِ الشَّجَرِ فِي الشَّعْبِ فَإِذَا هُوَ قَدْ جَاءَ حَتَّى وَقَفَ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَسَلَّمَ وَقَالَ: إِنِّي انْطَلَقْتُ حَتَّى كُنْتُ فِي أَعْلَى هَذَا الشَّعْبِ حَيْثُ أَمَرَنِي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَلَمَّا أَصْبَحْتُ أَطْلَعْتُ الشَّعْبَيْنِ كِلَيْهِمَا، فَنَظَرْتُ فَلَمْ أَرِ أَحَدًا، فَقَالَ لَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: هَلْ نَزَلْتَ اللَّيْلَةَ؟ قَالَ: لَا، إِلَّا مُصَلِّيًا أَوْ قَاضِيًا حَاجَةً، فَقَالَ لَهُ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: قَدْ أَوْجَبْتَ، فَلَا عَلَيْكَ أَنْ لَا تَعْمَلَ بَعْدَهَا. رواه أبو داود، باب في فضل الحرس في سبيل الله عز وجل.

رقم: ٢٥٠١

131. Sahl ibne-Hanzalah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam (on the day of Hunain) asked: Who will be our guard tonight? Anas ibne-Abi Marthad Al-Ghanawi Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma said: I, O Rasūlallāh! Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Mount your horse. He mounted his horse and came to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told him: Go to that mountain path till you reach its top. (Stand and guard there and be very alert) lest tonight through your negligence we get deceived. In the morning Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam went to his place of Ṣalāt and offered two raka‘āt, he then said: Do you know about your horseman? The Ṣaḥabah said: O Rasūlallāh! We do not know. Then an announcement was made for Ṣalāt-ul-Fajr. During the Ṣalāt the attention of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam was towards the mountain path. When he completed the Ṣalāt and on Salām said: Be happy, your horseman has come. We began to look between the trees in the mountain path from where Anas ibne-Abi Marthad was coming, until he stood before Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and offered his salām and said: I went till I reached the top of the mountain path as Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam had

commanded me (I stood guard the whole night). In the morning, I looked down at both sides of the mountain but saw no one. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam asked him: Did you dismount during the night? He replied: No, except for Ṣalāt or to relieve myself. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: You have made Paradise certain for yourself. Henceforth you will not be blamed if you do not offer any optional deeds. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٣٢- عَنِ ابْنِ عَائِدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ خَرَجَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ فِي جَنَازَةِ رَجُلٍ، فَلَمَّا وُضِعَ قَالَ عُمَرُ بْنُ الْخَطَّابِ: لَا تُصَلِّ عَلَيْهِ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ فَإِنَّهُ رَجُلٌ فَاجِرٌ، فَالْتَفَتَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ إِلَى النَّاسِ فَقَالَ: هَلْ رَأَاهُ أَحَدٌ مِنْكُمْ عَلَى عَمَلٍ مِنَ الْإِسْلَامِ، فَقَالَ رَجُلٌ: نَعَمْ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، حَرَسَ لَيْلَةً فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ، فَصَلَّى عَلَيْهِ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ وَحَتَّى الشَّرَابَ عَلَيْهِ وَقَالَ: أَصْحَابُكَ يَظُنُّونَ أَنَّكَ مِنْ أَهْلِ النَّارِ وَأَنَا أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ مِنْ أَهْلِ الْجَنَّةِ. (الحديث) رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٤/٤٣

132. Ibne-Ā'idh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam came out to a man's funeral. When the bier was laid down, 'Umar ibn al-Khaṭṭāb Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu said: Do not offer his funeral Ṣalāt, O Rasūlallāh, for he was sinful. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam turned towards the people and inquired whether any of them had seen him doing any deed of Islam. A man replied: Yes; O Rasūlallāh! He guarded one night in the Path of Allāh. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam offered his funeral Ṣalāt and spread dust over his grave. Then he said (to the demised): Your companions think that you are one of those who will go to Hell but I testify that you are one of those who will go to Paradise. (Baihaqī)

١٣٣- حَدَّثَنَا سَعِيدُ بْنُ جُمَهَانَ قَالَ: سَأَلْتُ سَفِينَةَ عَنْ اسْمِهِ، فَقَالَ: إِنِّي مُخْبِرُكَ بِاسْمِي، سَمَانِي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ سَفِينَةَ، قُلْتُ: لِمَ سَمَاكَ سَفِينَةَ؟ قَالَ: خَرَجَ وَمَعَهُ أَصْحَابُهُ، فَتَقَلَّ عَلَيْهِمْ مَتَاعُهُمْ، فَقَالَ: ابْسُطْ كِسَاءَكَ، فَبَسَطْتُهُ، فَجَعَلَ فِيهِ مَتَاعَهُمْ ثُمَّ حَمَلَهُ عَلَيَّ، فَقَالَ: احْمِلْ مَا أَنْتَ إِلَّا سَفِينَةَ، قَالَ: فَلَوْ حَمَلْتُ يَوْمَئِذٍ وَفَرَّ بَعِيرٌ أَوْ بَعِيرَيْنِ أَوْ خَمْسَةً أَوْ سِتَّةَ، مَا تَقَلَّ عَلَيَّ. حلية الأولياء ٣٦٩/١ وذكره في الإصابة بنحوه ٢٥٨/٢

133. Sa'id ibne-Jumhān Rahmatullāh says: I asked Safīnah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu about his name. He replied: I will tell you about my name. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam named me Safīnah.

I asked: Why did he give you the name of *Safīnah*? He said: Once Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam came on a journey along with his Ṣaḥabah. Their luggage was heavy for them, so Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam asked me to spread my sheet, which I spread. He put all their luggage on the sheet, then put it over me, and said: Carry it. You are a *Safīnah* (a sailing boat). He says: Regardless of one or two camel loads, that day, if it were five or six camel loads, it would not had been heavy for me. (Ḥilyah, Iṣābah)

١٣٤- عَنْ أَحْمَرَ مَوْلَى أُمِّ سَلَمَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: كُنَّا فِي غَزَاةٍ فَجَعَلْتُ أُعْتَبِرُ النَّاسَ فِي وَادٍ أَوْ نَهْرٍ، فَقَالَ لِيَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: مَا كُنْتَ فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ إِلَّا سَفِينَةً. الإصابة ٢٣/١

134. Aḥmar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu, the freed slave of Umme-Salamah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhā narrates that we were on an expedition. (We passed by a valley or a stream) I started helping people in crossing the stream or valley. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told me: You have become a *Safīnah* (a sailing boat) today. (Iṣābah)

١٣٥- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنَّا يَوْمَ بَدْرٍ كُلُّ ثَلَاثَةٍ عَلَى بَعِيرٍ، قَالَ: فَكَانَ أَبُو لُبَابَةَ وَعَلِيُّ بْنُ أَبِي طَالِبٍ زَمِيلَيَّ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: فَكَانَتْ إِذَا جَاءَتْ غَفْبَةَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَا: نَحْنُ نَمْشِي عَنْكَ، قَالَ: مَا أَنْتُمَا بِأَقْوَى مِنِّي وَمَا أَنَا بِأَعْلَى عَنِ الْأَجْرِ مِنْكُمَا. رواه

البغوي في شرح السنة، قال المحقق: إسناده حسن ٣٥/١١

135. ‘Abdullāh ibne-Mas‘ūd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that on the day of Badr, there was one camel for every three men. He says: Abu Lubābah and ‘Alī ibne-Abi Ṭālib were the travelling mates of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. He says: When it was the turn of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam to dismount, they both said: We would walk for you. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam replied: You two are not stronger than me, and I am in no less need for reward than you. (Sharḥ ḥus Sunnah lil Baghawī)

١٣٦- عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: سَيِّدُ الْقَوْمِ فِي السَّفَرِ خَادِمُهُمْ، فَمَنْ سَبَقَهُمْ بِخِدْمَةٍ لَمْ يَسْبِقُوهُ بِعَمَلٍ إِلَّا الشَّهَادَةَ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٣٣٤/٦

136. Sahl ibne-Sa‘īd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: During a journey the *Amīr* of the *Jamā‘at* is the one who serves the most. He who excels his

companions in service cannot be excelled by anyone, on account of his deeds, except by martyrdom. (Baihaqī)

١٣٧- عَنِ الثَّعْمَانِ بْنِ بَشِيرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: الْجَمَاعَةُ رَحْمَةٌ وَالْفُرْقَةُ عَذَابٌ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه عبد الله بن أحمد والبخاري والطبراني ورجالهم ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٩٢/٥

137. Nu'mān ibne-Bashīr Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: (To be attached to) the *Jamā'at* is a blessing and separating (from the *Jamā'at*) is a punishment. (Musnad Aḥmad, Bazzār , Tabarānī)

١٣٨- عَنِ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: لَوْ يَعْلَمُ النَّاسُ مَا فِي الْوَحْدَةِ مَا أَعْلَمُوا، مَا سَارَ رَاكِبٌ بَلِيلٌ وَحْدَهُ. رواه البخاري، باب السير وحده، رقم: ٢٩٩٨

138. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: If people knew, what I know, of travelling alone, no rider would ever travel alone at night. (Bukhārī)

١٣٩- عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْذَّلِجَةِ، فَإِنَّ الْأَرْضَ تُطْوَى بِاللَّيْلِ. رواه ابوداود، باب في الذلجة، رقم: ٢٥٧١

139. Anas Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Do travel in the early part of the night, for the earth is folded during the night. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: It means that when you go out on a journey, do not restrict travelling by day only, but travel at night also, for there are not as many hurdles as there are in the daytime, and travelling becomes easy. This is what the folding of the earth means. (Mazāhir-e-Ḥaqqe)

١٤٠- عَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ شُعَيْبٍ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ جَدِّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: الرَّاكِبُ شَيْطَانٌ وَالرَّاكِبَانِ شَيْطَانَانِ وَالثَّلَاثَةُ رَكْبٌ. رواه الترمذی وقال: حديث عبد الله بن عمرو أحسن، باب ما جاء في كراهية أن يسافر وحده، رقم: ١٦٧٤

140. 'Amr ibne-Shoib Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: A single rider is a Shaitān and a pair of riders is a pair of Shaitāns and three riders are a *Jamā'at*. (Tirmidhī)

Note: A rider here means a traveller. It means a traveller or two travellers can easily be trapped in evil by Shaitān. To clarify this a person travelling alone or two are stated to be Shaitān. It is therefore advisable that there be at least three persons in a journey so that they are saved from the Shaitān; and they can offer Ṣalāt in *Jamā'ah* and also be mutually helpful. (Mazāhir Ḥaqqe)

١٤١- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: الشَّيْطَانُ يَهُمُّ بِالْوَاحِدِ وَالْإِثْنَيْنِ، فَإِذَا كَانُوا ثَلَاثَةً لَمْ يَهُمَّ بِهِمْ. رواه البزار وفيه عبد الرحمن بن أبي الزناد وهو ضعيف وقد وثق، مجمع الزوائد ٤٩١/٣

141. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: The Shaitān intends to do evil to one or two persons, but if they are three, then he does not intend to do evil to them. (Bazzār, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١٤٢- عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: اِثْنَانِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ وَاحِدٍ، وَثَلَاثٌ خَيْرٌ مِنَ اثْنَيْنِ، وَأَرْبَعَةٌ خَيْرٌ مِنْ ثَلَاثَةٍ، فَعَلَيْكُمْ بِالْجَمَاعَةِ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ لَنْ يَجْمَعَ أُمَّتِي إِلَّا عَلَى هُدًى. رواه أحمد ١٤٥/٥

142. Abu Dhar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Two men are better than one, and three are better than two, and four are better than three. So, it is incumbent on you to be in a *Jamā'at*; for Allāh ‘Azza wa Jall will never unite my Ummah on anything except on *Hidāyah*(guidance). (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٤٣- عَنْ عَرْفَجَةَ بْنِ شُرَيْحٍ الْأَشْجَعِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ يَدَ اللَّهِ عَلَى الْجَمَاعَةِ، فَإِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ مَعَ مَنْ فَارَقَ الْجَمَاعَةَ يَرْكُضُ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه النسائي، باب قتل من فارق الجماعة ٤٠٢٥، رقم: ٤٠٢٥

143. ‘Arfajah ibne-Shuraiḥ Al-Ashja’ī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Indeed, Allāh’s hand is on *Jamā'at*. Indeed Shaitān is with the one who has separated himself from the *Jamā'at* and provokes him. (Nasa’ī)

١٤٤- عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَتَخَلَّفُ فِي الْمَسِيرِ

فَيُرْجَى الضَّعِيفُ وَيُدْعَوُ لَهُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب لزوم الساقية، رقم: ٢٦٣٩

144. Jābir ibne-'Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that while travelling, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam used to remain behind; and used to urge forward the weaker animals, and give a ride to the one on foot and pray for all of them. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٤٥ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا خَرَجَ ثَلَاثَةٌ فِي سَفَرٍ

فَلْيُؤَمِّرُوا أَحَدَهُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب فى القوم يسافرون، رقم: ٢٦٠٨

145. Abu Sa'id Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: When three set out on a journey, they must make one of them as their *Amīr*. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٤٦ - عَنْ أَبِي مُوسَى رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: دَخَلْتُ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ أَنَا وَرَجُلَانِ مِنْ بَنِي عَمِّي،

فَقَالَ أَحَدُ الرَّجُلَيْنِ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَقَرْنَا عَلَى بَعْضِ مَا وَلَّاكَ اللَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ، وَقَالَ الْآخَرُ مِثْلَ ذَلِكَ، فَقَالَ: إِنَّا وَاللَّهِ لَا نُؤَلِّي عَلَى هَذَا الْعَمَلِ أَحَدًا سَأَلَهُ، وَلَا أَحَدًا حَرَصَ عَلَيْهِ. رواه مسلم، باب

النهى عن طلب الإمارة والحرص عليها، رقم: ٤٧١٧

146. Abu Mūsā Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that I and two of my paternal cousins, went to Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam. One of them said: O Rasūlallāh! Make us the *Amīr* of the area which Allāh Azza wa Jall has put in your charge. The other also expressed the same desire. He replied: I swear by Allāh! We never put anyone in charge of these affairs who himself asks for it, or aspires for it. (Muslim)

١٤٧ - عَنْ حُذَيْفَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ فَارَقَ الْجَمَاعَةَ

وَاسْتَدَلَّ الْإِمَارَةَ، لَقِيَ اللَّهَ وَلَا وَجْهَ لَهُ عِنْدَهُ. رواه أحمد ورجاله ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٤٠١/٥

147. Hudhaifah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: He who separates from the *Jamā'at*, and degrades the authority of the *Amīr* will meet Allāh having no status in His eyes. (Musnad Aḥmad, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

١٤٨ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ سَائِلٌ كُلَّ رَاعٍ عَمَّا اسْتَرْعَاهُ،

أَحْفَظَ أَمْ ضَيَّعَ. رواه ابن حبان، قال المحقق: إسناده صحيح على شرطهما ٣٤٤/١٠

148. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Verily, Allāh will ask every guardian for the things under his custody, whether he cared for them or neglected them. (Ibne-Ḥibbān)

١٤٩ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: كُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ، الْإِمَامُ رَاعٍ وَمَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ، وَالرَّجُلُ رَاعٍ فِي أَهْلِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ، وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَّةٌ فِي بَيْتِ زَوْجِهَا وَمَسْئُولَةٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهَا، وَالْخَادِمُ رَاعٍ فِي مَالِ سَيِّدِهِ وَمَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ، وَالرَّجُلُ رَاعٍ فِي مَالِ أَبِيهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ، وَكُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَمَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ. رواه البخارى، باب الجمعة فى القرى والمدن، رقم: ٨٩٣

149. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: Every one of you is responsible and every one of you is accountable for those under you. A ruler is responsible and will be accountable for his subjects; a man is responsible for his family members, and will be accountable for them; a woman is responsible for her husband's house (his children, etc.) and she will be accountable for them; a servant is responsible for the wealth of his master, and will be accountable for it; a son is responsible for his father's wealth, and will be accountable for it. Every one of you is responsible, and will be accountable for whatever is placed under his custody. (Bukhārī)

١٥٠ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: لَا يَسْتَرْعى اللَّهُ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى عَبْدًا رَعِيَّةً قَلَّتْ أَوْ كَثُرَتْ إِلَّا سَأَلَهُ اللَّهُ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى عَنْهَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَقَامَ فِيهِمْ أَمْرَ اللَّهِ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى أَمْ أَضَاعَهُ حَتَّى يَسْأَلَهُ عَنْ أَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ خَاصَّةً. رواه أحمد ١٥/٢

150. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Any person who is appointed a ruler by Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā over his subjects, whether small or big in number, Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā will question him about them on the Day of Resurrection; whether he established in them the commands of Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta‘ālā or neglected them. So much so, that he would be, questioned about his family members in particular. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٥١- عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: يَا أَبَا ذَرٍّ! إِنِّي أَرَاكَ ضَعِيفًا، وَإِنِّي أُحِبُّ لَكَ مَا أُحِبُّ لِنَفْسِي، لَا تَأْمُرَنَّ عَلَى اثْنَيْنِ وَلَا تَوَلَّيَنَّ مَالَ يَتِيمٍ. رواه مسلم، باب كراهة الإمارة بغير ضرورة، رقم: ٤٧٢٠

151. Abu Dhar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: O Abu Dhar! I see that you are weak; and I like for you what I like for myself. Do not be *Amīr* even of two persons, and do not accept the responsibility of an orphan's wealth. (Muslim)

Note: What Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam impressed upon Abu Dhar was that if he were weak like Abu Dhar, he would not become *Amīr* even over two persons.

١٥٢- عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَلَا تَسْتَعْمِلُنِي؟ قَالَ: فَضْرَبَ بِيَدِهِ عَلَى مَنْكِبِي، ثُمَّ قَالَ: يَا أَبَا ذَرٍّ! إِنَّكَ ضَعِيفٌ وَإِنَّهَا أَمَانَةٌ، وَإِنَّهَا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ حِزْبٌ وَنَدَامَةٌ، إِلَّا مَنْ أَخَذَهَا بِحَقِّهَا وَأَدَّى الَّذِي عَلَيْهِ فِيهَا. رواه مسلم، باب كراهة الإمارة بغير ضرورة، رقم: ٤٧١٩

152. Abu Dhar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that I said: O Rasūlallāh! Why do you not appoint me as a governor? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam patted me on my shoulder and said: Abu Dhar! You are weak, and this is a trust and this will be a cause of humiliation and regret on the Day of Resurrection; except for a person, who takes it as it ought to be taken and fulfils his obligations. (Muslim)

١٥٣- عَنْ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ سَمُرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ (لِي) النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: يَا عَبْدَ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ سَمُرَةَ: لَا تَسْأَلِ الْإِمَارَةَ فَإِنَّكَ إِنْ أُوتِيَتْهَا عَنْ مَسْئَلَةٍ وَكَلْتَ إِلَيْهَا، وَإِنْ أُوتِيَتْهَا مِنْ غَيْرِ مَسْئَلَةٍ أُعِنْتُ عَلَيْهَا. (الحديث) رواه البخارى، باب قول الله تبارك وتعالى لا يؤاخذكم الله...، رقم: ٦٦٢٢

153. ‘Abdur Raḥmān ibne-Samurah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told him: O ‘Abdur Raḥmān ibne-Samurah! Do not ask to be a *Amīr*, for if you are made that as a result of your asking for it, you will be left to deal with it yourself. And if you are made a *Amīr* without aspiring for it, you will be helped in undertaking it. (Bukhārī)

١٥٤- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّكُمْ سَتَحْرِصُونَ عَلَى الْإِمَارَةِ، وَتَسْكُونُ نَدَامَةً يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، فَنِعْمَ الْمُرْضِعَةُ وَبُسْتُ الْفَاطِمَةَ. رواه البخاري، باب ما يكره من الحرص

على الإمارة، رقم: ٧١٤٨

154. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: A time is coming when you will aspire for authority (becoming *Amīr*), but it will be a cause of regret on the Day of Resurrection. How good is she who breastfeeds and how bad is she who stops breastfeeding. (Bukhārī)

Note: The last sentence of this ḥadīth means that when somebody assumes public office, it appears to be very dear like a breast-feeding woman to an infant, and when one loses public position and authority this causes distress, just as an infant feels distressed when breast-feeding is stopped for him.

١٥٥- عَنْ عَوْفِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنْ شِئْتُمْ أَنْبَأْتُكُمْ عَنِ الْإِمَارَةِ، وَمَا هِيَ؟ فَتَدَايَيْتُ بِأَعْلَى صَوْتِي ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ: وَمَا هِيَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: أَوَّلُهَا مَلَامَةٌ. وَثَانِيهَا نَدَامَةٌ، وَثَالِثُهَا عَذَابٌ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ إِلَّا مَنْ عَدَلَ، وَكَيْفَ يَعْدِلُ مَعَ قَرَابَتِهِ؟. رواه البزار

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155. ‘Awf ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If you wish I shall inform you what is the reality of *Imārah* (governing)? I loudly asked three times: What is it? O Rasūlallāh! He said: The first is criticism, the second is regret and the third is the Punishment on the Day of Resurrection, except he who dispenses justice and how can one dispense justice in respect of one’s relatives. (Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

Note: This means that one who becomes an *Amīr* (Ruler or Governor) is first criticised and admonished from every quarter; that he has done this wrong and done that wrong, etc. Next, due to this reproach, he becomes regretful and says: Why did I accept this responsibility (becoming a ruler)? Then in the last stage, if justice is not dispensed, there will be punishment on the Day of Reckoning. So this turns out to be a cause of disgrace and humiliation in this world, and of tough accountability in the Hereafter.

١٥٦ - عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ اسْتَعْمَلَ رَجُلًا مِنْ عَصَابَةِ وَفِي تِلْكَ الْعِصَابَةِ مَنْ هُوَ أَرْضَى اللَّهُ مِنْهُ فَقَدْ خَانَ اللَّهَ وَخَانَ رَسُولَهُ وَخَانَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ. رواه الحاكم

في المستدرک وقال: هذا حديث صحيح الإسناد ولم يخرجاه ٩٢/٤

156. Ibne-'Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: If anyone makes someone *Amīr* of a *Jamā'at* (group), and there is a man in that *Jamā'at* more pleasing to Allāh, he is guilty of breach of trust to Allāh, breach of trust to His Messenger and breach of trust to the believers. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

Note: In the presence of a better one, if some other is to be made *Amīr* due to certain religious considerations, then this will not be included in this warning. As at one occasion, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam sent a delegation, in which he appointed 'Abdullāh ibne-Jaḥsh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu as *Amīr*, and said to them: He is not superior amongst you but possesses more patience in withstanding hunger and thirst. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٥٧ - عَنْ مَعْقِلِ بْنِ يَسَارٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَا مِنْ أَمِيرٍ يَلِي أَمْرَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ ثُمَّ لَا يَجْهَدُ لَهُمْ وَيَنْصَحُ، إِلَّا لَمْ يَدْخُلْ مَعَهُمُ الْجَنَّةَ. رواه مسلم، باب فضيلة الأمير

العادل، رقم: ٤٧٣١

157. Ma'qil ibne-Yasār Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that he heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam saying: Anyone who has been made *Amīr* for the governance of the affairs of the Muslims, and he does not endeavour for their welfare, but he will not enter Paradise along with the Muslims. (Muslim)

١٥٨ - عَنْ مَعْقِلِ بْنِ يَسَارٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا مِنْ وَالٍ يَلِي رَعِيَّةً مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، فَيَمُوتُ وَهُوَ غَاشٌّ لَهُمْ، إِلَّا حَرَّمَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ الْجَنَّةَ. رواه البخاري، باب من استرعى رعية فلم

ينصح، رقم: ٧١٥١

158. Ma'qil ibne-Yasār Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Anyone made responsible for the governance of the affairs of Muslims dies acting dishonestly towards them, Allāh will forbid Paradise for him. (Bukhārī)

١٥٩ - عَنْ أَبِي مَرْيَمَ الْأَزْدِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ وَلَّاهُ اللَّهُ

عَزَّوَجَلَّ شَيْئًا مِنْ أَمْرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، فَاحْتَجَبَ دُونَ حَاجَتِهِمْ وَخَلَّتِهِمْ وَفَقَّرِهِمْ، احْتَجَبَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ دُونَ حَاجَتِهِ وَخَلَّتِهِ وَفَقَّرِهِ. رواه أبو داود، باب فيما يلزم الإمام من أمر الرعية، ٥٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٩٤٨

159. Abu Maryam Al Azdī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying: If Allāh Azza wa Jall puts a man in authority of the affairs of the Muslims, and he turns his face away from their needs, destitution and poverty, Allāh will turn away from his needs, and will not help him in destitution and poverty. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٦٠- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يُؤَمِّرُ عَلَى عَشْرَةِ فَصَاعِدًا لَا يُقْسِطُ فِيهِمْ إِلَّا جَاءَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فِي الْأَصْفَادِ وَالْأَغْلَالِ. رواه الحاكم وقال: هذا حديث صحيح الإسناد ولم يخرجاه ووافقه الذهبي ٨٩/٤

160. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If anyone made *Amīr* over ten or more persons does not deal with them equitably, he will come chained and handcuffed on the Day of Reckoning. (Mustadrak Ḥākim)

١٦١- عَنْ أَبِي وَائِلٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ أَنَّ عُمَرَ اسْتَعْمَلَ بِشْرَ بْنَ عَاصِمٍ عَلَى صَدَقَاتِ هَوَازِنَ، فَتَخَلَّفَ بِشْرٌ فَلَقِيَهُ عُمَرُ، فَقَالَ: مَا خَلَفَكَ، أَمَا لَنَا عَلَيْكَ سَمْعٌ وَطَاعَةٌ، قَالَ: بَلَى! وَلَكِنْ سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: مَنْ وَلَّى مِنْ أَمْرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ شَيْئًا أَتَى بِهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ حَتَّى يُوقَفَ عَلَى جَسْرِ جَهَنَّمَ. (الحديث) أخرجه البخاري من طريق سويد، الإصابة ١٥٢/١

161. Abu Wāil Raḥimahullāh narrates that ‘Umar appointed Bishr ibne-‘Asim of Hawadhin as collector of Ṣadaqah. But Bishr did not go. ‘Umar met and asked him: What held you up? Is it not necessary for you to listen and to obey us? Bishr replied: Yes, verily! But I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam saying that one who is made responsible for some affairs of the Muslims, he will be brought and held at the bridge over Hell on the Day of Resurrection. (Bukhārī)

١٦٢- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَا مِنْ أَمِيرٍ عَشْرَةَ إِلَّا يُؤْتَى بِهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مَغْلُوبًا حَتَّى يَفْكَهُ الْعَدْلُ أَوْ يُؤْبَقَهُ الْجَوْرُ. رواه البزار والطبرانی في الأوسط ورجال البزار رجال الصحيح، مجمع الزوائد ٣٧٠/٥

162. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Any *Amīr* over ten persons, will be brought on the Day of Reckoning with an iron collar around his neck, till his justice gets him free, or his tyranny destroys him. (Bazzār, Ṭabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١٦٣ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: سَيَلِيكُمُ أَمْرَاءُ يُفْسِدُونَ، وَمَا يُصْلِحُ اللَّهُ بِهِمْ أَكْثَرُ، فَمَنْ عَمِلَ مِنْهُمْ بِطَاعَةِ اللَّهِ فَلَهُمُ الْأَجْرُ وَعَلَيْكُمُ الشُّكْرُ، وَمَنْ عَمِلَ مِنْهُمْ بِمَعْصِيَةِ اللَّهِ فَعَلَيْهِمُ الْوِزْرُ وَعَلَيْكُمُ الصَّبْرُ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ١٥/٦

163. ‘Abdullāh ibne-Mas‘ūd Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: There will be some of your *Amīrs* who will cause corruption, and Allāh will bring reforms through them, more than their corruption. So, that *Amīr* who works in obedience to Allāh, will be rewarded, and gratefulness is necessary from you. And that *Amīr* who works in disobedience to Allāh, the sins thereof, will be on him; and you will have to be patient. (Baihaqī)

١٦٤ - عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: سَمِعْتُ مِنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ فِي بَيْتِي هَذَا: اللَّهُمَّ مَنْ وَلِيَ مِنْ أَمْرِ أُمَّتِي شَيْئًا فَشَقَّ عَلَيْهِمْ، فَاشْقُقْ عَلَيْهِ، وَمَنْ وَلِيَ مِنْ أَمْرِ أُمَّتِي شَيْئًا فَرَفَقَ بِهِمْ، فَارْفُقْ بِهِ. رواه مسلم، باب فضيلة الأمير العادل، ٠٠٠٠، رقم: ٤٧٢٢

164. ‘Ā’ishah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhā narrates: I heard from Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam making this duā in my house: O Allāh! Whosoever is placed in authority over my Ummah and is harsh with them, You be harsh on him; and whoever in authority over my Ummah is kind to them, You be kind on him. (Muslim)

١٦٥ - عَنْ جُبَيْرِ بْنِ نُفَيْرٍ وَكَثِيرِ بْنِ مُرَّةَ وَعَمْرِو بْنِ الْأَسْوَدَ وَالْمِقْدَامِ بْنِ مَعْدِيكَرَبَ وَأَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ الْأَمِيرَ إِذَا ابْتَغَى الرَّيْبَةَ فِي النَّاسِ أَفْسَدَهُمْ. رواه ابوداود، باب في التحسس، رقم: ٤٨٨٩

165. Jubair ibne-Nufair, Kathīr ibne-Murrah, ‘Amr ibne-Aswad, Miqdām ibne-Ma’dīkarab and Abu Umāmah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhum narrate that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: When an *Amīr* exposes faults in the people, he corrupts them. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: This means that when the *Amīr*, instead of trusting his people,

looks for their faults and becomes suspicious about them, then he himself is a source of discord and dispersion. Therefore, it is essential for the *Amīr*, that he veils the faults of the people and is not suspicious, but makes good assumptions about them. (Badhl-ul-Majhūd)

١٦٦ - عَنْ أُمِّ الْحُصَيْنِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ أَمَرَ عَلَيْكُمْ عَبْدٌ مُجَدَّغٌ أَسْوَدُ يَقُودُكُمْ بِكِتَابِ اللَّهِ، فَاسْمَعُوا لَهُ وَأَطِيعُوا. رواه مسلم، باب وجوب طاعة الأمراء.....
رقم: ٤٧٦٢

166. Umme Ḥusain Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhā narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: If a slave is made an *Amīr* on you, whose nose and ears are cut and he is of black complexion; but he leads you according to the Book of Allāh, you should listen to his orders and obey him. (Muslim)

١٦٧ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: اسْمَعُوا وَأَطِيعُوا، وَإِنْ اسْتَعْمِلَ عَلَيْكُمْ عَبْدٌ جَبَشِيٌّ كَانَ رَأْسُهُ زَبِيئَةً. رواه البخارى، باب السمع والطاعة للإمام.....
رقم: ٧١٤٢

167. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Listen and obey, even if an Abyssinian slave with a head like a raisin is made *Amīr* over you. (Bukhārī)

١٦٨ - عَنْ وَائِلِ الْحَضْرَمِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: اسْمَعُوا وَأَطِيعُوا، فَإِنَّمَا عَلَيْهِمْ مَا حُمِّلُوا وَعَلَيْكُمْ مَا حُمِّلْتُمْ. رواه مسلم، باب في طاعة الأمراء وإن منعوا الحقوق، رقم: ٤٧٨٣

168. Wāil Al-Ḥaḍramī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Listen and obey the *Amīr*; for on them shall be the responsibility of what they do, and on you shall be the responsibility of what you do. (Muslim)

١٦٩ - عَنِ الْعُرْبَاضِ بْنِ سَارِيَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا، وَأَطِيعُوا مَنْ وُلَّاهُ اللَّهُ أَمْرَكُمْ، وَلَا تَنَازِعُوا الْأَمْرَ أَهْلَهُ وَلَوْ كَانَ عَبْدًا أَسْوَدَ، وَعَلَيْكُمْ بِمَا تَعْرِفُونَ مِنْ سُنَّةِ نَبِيِّكُمْ وَالْخُلَفَاءِ الرَّاشِدِينَ الْمَهْدِيِّينَ، وَعَصُوا عَلَى نَوَاجِدِكُمْ بِالْحَقِّ. رواه الحاكم وقال: هذا إسناده صحيح على شرطهما جميعا ولا أعرف له علة ووافقه الذهبي ٩٦/١

169. 'Irbād ibne-Sāriyah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Worship Allāh and do not associate anything with Him. And obey those put in authority of your affairs. Do not dispute with the *Amīr* about his authority, even if he is a black slave. Hold firmly to the Sunnah of your Nabī and his rightly guided Khalīfahs, blessed with *Hidāyah*, and hold fast with your teeth to the righteous way. (Mustadrak Hākim)

١٧٠ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَرْضَى لَكُمْ ثَلَاثًا وَيَسْخَطُ لَكُمْ ثَلَاثًا، يَرْضَى لَكُمْ أَنْ تَعْبُدُوهُ وَلَا تَشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا، وَأَنْ تَعْتَصِمُوا بِحَبْلِ اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا وَلَا تَفَرَّقُوا، وَأَنْ تَتَّصِحُوا مِنْ وَلَاءِ اللَّهِ أَمْرَكُمْ، وَيَسْخَطُ لَكُمْ قِيلَ وَقَالَ، وَإِضَاعَةَ الْمَالِ، وَكَثْرَةَ السُّؤَالِ. رواه أحمد ٣٦٧/٢

170. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Allāh likes for you three things and dislikes for you three things. He likes that you worship Him and do not associate any partner with Him. That you all hold fast to the rope of Allāh and do not get divided. That you be a well-wisher to those whom Allāh has put in authority over you. And He dislikes your indulging in unprofitable discussions and; wasting your wealth; and asking unnecessary questions. (Musnad Ahmad)

١٧١ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ أَطَاعَنِي فَقَدْ أَطَاعَ اللَّهَ وَمَنْ عَصَانِي فَقَدْ عَصَى اللَّهَ، وَمَنْ أَطَاعَ الْإِمَامَ فَقَدْ أَطَاعَنِي وَمَنْ عَصَى الْإِمَامَ فَقَدْ عَصَانِي. رواه ابن ماجه، باب طاعة الإمام، رقم: ٢٨٥٩

171. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who obeys me has indeed obeyed Allāh; and he who disobeys me has indeed disobeyed Allāh. He who obeys the *Amīr* has obeyed me, and who disobeys the *Amīr* has disobeyed me. (Ibne-Mājah)

١٧٢ - عَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ رَأَى مِنْ أَمِيرِهِ شَيْئًا يَكْرَهُهُ فَلْيَصْبِرْ، فَإِنَّهُ مَنْ قَارَقَ الْجَمَاعَةَ شَبْرًا فَمَاتَ فَمِيتَةً جَاهِلِيَّةً. رواه مسلم، باب وجوب ملازمة جماعة المسلمين، رقم: ٤٧٩٠

172. Ibne Abbās Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: If anyone sees something in his

Amīr that he dislikes, he should be patient. For, one who separates from the community of Muslims even the distance of a hand span, and dies, he dies like those dying in ignorance (pre-Islamic times). (Muslim)

Note: Dying like those in the pre-Islamic times means that during the time of ignorance people were unrestrained. They neither obeyed their leaders nor listened to their guidance. (Nawawī)

١٧٣ - عَنْ عَلِيٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَا طَاعَةَ فِي مَعْصِيَةِ اللَّهِ، إِنَّمَا الطَّاعَةُ فِي الْمَعْرُوفِ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه أبو داود، باب في الطاعة، رقم: ٢٦٢٥

173. 'Alī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: There is no obedience to anyone in disobedience to Allāh. Obedience is only in what is good. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٧٤ - عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: السَّمْعُ وَالطَّاعَةُ حَقٌّ عَلَى الْمَرْءِ الْمُسْلِمِ فِيمَا أَحَبَّ أَوْ كَرِهَ إِلَّا أَنْ يُؤْمَرَ بِمَعْصِيَةٍ، فَإِنْ أُمِرَ بِمَعْصِيَةٍ فَلَا سَمْعَ عَلَيْهِ وَلَا طَاعَةَ. رواه أحمد ١٤٢/٢

174. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: Hearing and obeying the *Amīr* is the duty of a Muslim, whether he likes it or not, except when the *Amīr* commands to do an act of disobedience to Allāh. If ordered disobedience to Allāh he must neither listen nor obey. (Musnad Ahmad)

١٧٥ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِذَا سَافَرْتُمْ فَلْيُؤَمِّكُمْ أَقْرَأُكُمْ وَإِنْ كَانَ أَصْغَرُكُمْ، وَإِذَا أَمَّكُمْ فَهُوَ أَمِيرُكُمْ. رواه الزوار وإسناده حسن، مجمع الزوائد ٢٠٦/٢

175. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: When you travel, your *Imām* (who leads the Ṣalāt) ought to be the one who remembers the Qur'ān most (and be the one most acquainted with *Fiqh*), even if he is the youngest of you; and when he becomes your *Imām* he is your *Amīr*. (Bazzār, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

Note: However, from the other narrations, it appears that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam made someone an *Amīr* because of a certain specific quality though his companions were better than him as mentioned in Hadith No. 156.

١٧٦ - عَنْ عُبَادَةَ بْنِ الصَّامِتِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ عَبَدَ اللَّهَ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى لَا يُشْرِكُ بِهِ شَيْئًا فَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكَاةَ وَسَمِعَ وَأَطَاعَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى يُدْخِلُهُ مِنْ أَيِّ أَبْوَابِ الْجَنَّةِ شَاءَ، وَلَهَا ثَمَانِيَةُ أَبْوَابٍ، وَمَنْ عَبَدَ اللَّهَ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى لَا يُشْرِكُ بِهِ شَيْئًا وَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكَاةَ وَسَمِعَ وَعَصَى فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى مِنْ أَمْرِهِ بِالْخِيَارِ، إِنْ شَاءَ رَحِمَهُ وَإِنْ شَاءَ عَذَّبَهُ. رواه أحمد وأحمد والطبراني ورجال أحمد ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٣٨٩/٥

176. 'Ubāda ibne-Šāmit Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: He who worshipped Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta'ālā, and did not associate any partner with Him, established Ṣalāt, paid Zaka'āt, and listened and obeyed his Amīr; Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta'ālā will make him enter Paradise from the door of his choice, and Paradise has eight doors. And he who worshipped Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta'ālā and did not associate any partner with Him, established Ṣalāt, paid Zaka'āt, and listened to his Amīr and disobeyed him, his matter is with Allāh Tabāraka wa Ta'ālā; He may have mercy on him or inflict punishment on him. (Musnad Aḥmad, Ṭabarānī, Majma-'uz-Zawā'id)

١٧٧ - عَنْ مُعَاذِ بْنِ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: الْغَزْوُ غَزَوَانِ، فَأَمَّا مَنْ ابْتَغَى وَجْهَ اللَّهِ، وَأَطَاعَ الْإِمَامَ، وَأَنْفَقَ الْكَرِيمَةَ، وَيَأْسَرَ الشَّرِيكَ، وَاجْتَنَبَ الْفُسَادَ، فَإِنَّ نَوْمَهُ وَنَبْهَهُ أَجْرٌ كُلُّهُ، وَأَمَّا مَنْ غَزَا فُخْرًا وَرِيَاءً وَسُمْعَةً، وَعَصَى الْإِمَامَ، وَأَفْسَدَ فِي الْأَرْضِ، فَإِنَّهُ لَمْ يَرْجَعْ بِالْكَفَافِ. رواه أبو داود، باب فيمن يغزو ويلتمس الدنيا، رقم: ٢٥١٥

177. Mu'ādh ibne-Jabal Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: *Jihād* is of two kinds. The one who seeks Allāh's favour, obeys the Amīr, and spends the best he values, treats his colleagues kindly and avoids doing mischief; then he will have the reward, for all the time whether asleep or awake and he who fights in a boasting spirit, for the sake of vain display, and to gain a reputation, disobeys the Amīr and spreads mischief on the earth, then he will not return with gain. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٧٨ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَجُلًا قَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! رَجُلٌ يُرِيدُ الْجِهَادَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَهُوَ يَبْتَغِي عَرَضًا مِنْ عَرَضِ الدُّنْيَا؟ فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: لَا أَجْرَ لَهُ، فَأَعْظَمَ ذَلِكَ النَّاسَ، وَقَالُوا

لِلرَّجُلِ: عُدَّ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَلَعَلَّكَ لَمْ تَفْهَمْهُ، فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! رَجُلٌ يُرِيدُ الْجِهَادَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَهُوَ يَتَّبِعِي عَرَضًا مِنْ عَرَضِ الدُّنْيَا؟ قَالَ: لَا أَجْرَ لَهُ، فَقَالُوا لِلرَّجُلِ: عُدَّ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالَ لَهُ الثَّالِثَةُ، فَقَالَ لَهُ: لَا أَجْرَ لَهُ. رواه أبو داود، باب فيمن يغدو ويلتمس الدنيا، رقم: ٢٥١٦

178. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that a person asked: O Rasūlallāh! A man wishes to go on *Jihād* in the Path of Allāh desiring some worldly advantage. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He will have no reward. This had a great impact on the people, and they asked that man: Enquire from Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam again, as perhaps, you could not understand his point. This man again said: O Rasūlallāh! A man wishes to take part in *Jihād* in the Path of Allāh desiring some worldly advantage. He said: He will have no reward. The people asked him to enquire from Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam again. So he asked the question for the third time. He replied: There is no reward for him. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٧٩ - عَنْ أَبِي ثَعْلَبَةَ الْخُشَنِی رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: وَكَانَ النَّاسُ إِذَا نَزَلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ مِنْزِلًا تَفَرَّقُوا فِي الشَّعَابِ وَالْأَوْدِيَةِ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنْ تَفَرَّقَكُمْ فِي هَذِهِ الشَّعَابِ وَالْأَوْدِيَةِ إِنَّمَا ذَلِكَ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ، فَلَمْ يَنْزَلْ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ مِنْزِلًا إِلَّا انْضَمَّ بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَى بَعْضٍ حَتَّى يُقَالَ: لَوْ بَسِطَ عَلَيْهِمْ ثَوْبٌ لَعَمَّهُمْ. رواه أبو داود، باب ما يمز من انضمام العسكر وسعته، رقم: ٢٦٢٨

179. Abu Tha‘labah Al-Khushanī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that the Ṣaḥābah used to encamp with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. At a location, they scattered in the mountain paths and valleys. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Your scattering in the mountain paths and valleys is only from Shaitān. After that whenever they camped at a location they kept so close together, that it used to be said, that if a cloth were to be spread over them, it would cover them all. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٨٠ - عَنْ صَخْرِ الْغَامِدِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ: اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لِأُمَّتِي فِي بُكُورِهَا، وَكَانَ إِذَا بَعَثَ سَرِيَّةً أَوْ جَيْشًا بَعَثَهَا مِنْ أَوَّلِ النَّهَارِ، وَكَانَ صَخْرٌ رَجُلًا تَاجِرًا وَكَانَ يَبْعَثُ تِجَارَتَهُ مِنْ أَوَّلِ النَّهَارِ، فَأَتَرَى وَكَثُرَ مَالُهُ. رواه أبو داود، باب في الابتكار في السفر، رقم: ٢٦٠٦

180. Ṣakhr Al-Ghāmidī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhū narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لِأُمَّتِي فِي بُكُورِهَا “O Allāh! Bless

my people in their early morning.” When he sent an expedition, or an army, he set them out in the beginning of the day. Ṣakhr was a trader and he would send his merchandise at the beginning of the day; so he became rich and his wealth increased. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: The objective of the du‘ā of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, as mentioned in the Ḥadīth, is that when people of my Ummah travel or do any religious or worldly work, they should undertake that in the beginning of the day so that they are blessed.

١٨١ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ لِأَكْثَمِ بْنِ الْجَوْنِ الْخَزَاعِمِيِّ: يَا أَكْثَمُ! اغْزِ مَعَ غَيْرِ قَوْمِكَ يَحْسُنْ خُلُقُكَ، وَتَكْرُمَ عَلَى رُفَقَائِكَ، يَا أَكْثَمُ! خَيْرُ الرُّفَقَاءِ أَرْبَعَةٌ، وَخَيْرُ السَّرَايَا أَرْبَعُمَائَةٍ، وَخَيْرُ الْجِيُوشِ أَرْبَعَةُ آلَافٍ، وَلَنْ يُغْلَبَ اثْنَا عَشَرَ أَلْفًا مِنْ قَلَةٍ. رواه ابن

ماجه، باب السرايا، رقم: ٢٨٢٧

181. Anas ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam told Aktham ibne-Jawn Al-Khuzā‘ī: O Aktham! Participate in Jihād with others besides your own people. This will improve your conduct, and you will become respectable in the eyes of your companions. O Aktham! The best companions are four, and the best detachment is of four hundred men, and the best army is of four thousand men. Twelve thousand men can never be defeated due to shortage of manpower. (Ibne-Mājah)

١٨٢ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: بَيْنَمَا نَحْنُ فِي سَفَرٍ مَعَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ إِذْ جَاءَهُ رَجُلٌ عَلَى رَاحِلَةٍ لَهُ، قَالَ: فَجَعَلَ يَصْرِفُ بَصَرَهُ يَمِينًا وَشِمَالًا، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ كَانَ مَعَهُ فَضْلٌ ظَهَرَ فَلْيُعِدْ بِهِ عَلَى مَنْ لَا ظَهَرَ لَهُ، وَمَنْ كَانَ لَهُ فَضْلٌ مِنْ زَادٍ فَلْيُعِدْ بِهِ عَلَى مَنْ لَا زَادَ لَهُ، قَالَ: فَذَكَرَ مِنْ أَصْنَافِ الْمَالِ مَا ذَكَرَ، حَتَّى رَأَيْنَا أَنَّهُ لَا حَقَّ لِأَحَدٍ مِنَّا فِي فَضْلٍ. رواه مسلم،

باب استحباب المزاولة بقضول المال، رقم: ٤٥١٧

182. Abu Sa‘īd Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that while we were on a journey with Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, a man came riding an animal and began to stare right and left. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He, who has an extra mount, should give it to the one who has none. And he who has extra provisions, should give it to the one who has none. The narrator says that he mentioned various kinds of possessions, till we began to think that none of us had a right to anything extra. (Muslim)

۱۸۳ - عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا حَدَّثَ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ أَنَّهُ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَغْزُو، قَالَ: يَا مَعْشَرَ الْمُهَاجِرِينَ وَالْأَنْصَارِ! إِنَّ مِنْ إِخْوَانِكُمْ قَوْمًا لَيْسَ لَهُمْ مَالٌ وَلَا عَشِيرَةٌ فَلْيَضْمَ أَحَدُكُمْ إِلَيْهِ الرَّجُلَيْنِ أَوْ الثَّلَاثَةَ. (الحديث) رواه أبو داود، باب الرجل يتحمل بمال غيره يغزو، رقم: ۲۵۳۴

183. Jābir ibne-‘Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma mentions that when Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam intended to go on an expedition, he said: O group of Muhājireen and Anṣār! Among your brethren are such people, who neither have money nor relatives; so every one of you should take with him two or three of them. (Abu Dāwūd)

۱۸۴ - عَنِ الْمُطْعِمِ بْنِ الْمُقْدَامِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَا خَلَفَ عَبْدٌ عَلَى أَهْلِهِ أَفْضَلَ مِنْ رَكْعَتَيْنِ يَرْكَعُهُمَا عِنْدَهُمْ حِينَ يُرِيدُ سَفَرًا. رواه ابن شعبة حديث ضعيف، الجامع الصغير ۴/۹۵، ورد عليه صاحب الإتحاف وملخص كلامه أن الحديث ليس بضعيف، إتحاف السادة ۳/۶۵

184. Muṭ‘im ibne-Miqdām Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: No slave of Allāh leaves behind for his family an assistant better than offering two *Raka‘ats* near them when he wants to go on a journey. (Jāmi-‘uṣ-Ṣaghīr)

۱۸۵ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: يَسْرُوا وَلَا تُعَسِّرُوا، وَبَشِّرُوا وَلَا تُنْفِرُوا. رواه البخارى، باب ما كان النبي ﷺ يتخولهم بالموعظة ۰۰۰۰. رقم: ۶۹

185. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Make things easy (for people) do not make things hard and difficult for them. Give them good tidings and do not create hatred. (Bukhārī)

Note: Encourage people by mentioning glad tidings and virtues for doing good deeds; and because of their sins do not frighten them so much that they despair the mercy of Allāh, and are thus dragged away from Deen (religion).

۱۸۶ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ هُوَ ابْنُ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: قَفْلَةٌ كَغَزْوَةٍ. رواه أبو داود، باب فى فضل القفل فى الغزو، رقم: ۲۴۸۷

186. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Amr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Returning from a Jihād is like going on Jihād. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: The reward similar to what one gets for Jihād (in the Path of Allāh), is again given after coming back at his place of dwelling from the Path of Allāh, provided he has intentions that as soon as the needs for which he came back, are fulfilled, or whenever there is a call for the Path of Allāh, he would go for Allāh's cause forthwith. (Maẓāhir-e-Ḥaḳue)

۱۸۷- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ كَانَ إِذَا قَفَلَ مِنْ غَزْوٍ أَوْ حَجٍّ أَوْ عُمْرَةٍ يَكْبُرُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَرْفٍ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ ثَلَاثَ تَكْبِيرَاتٍ وَيَقُولُ:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ،

أَتَّبُونَ تَائِبُونَ عَابِدُونَ سَاجِدُونَ لِرَبِّنَا حَامِدُونَ، صَدَقَ اللَّهُ وَعْدَهُ وَنَصَرَ عَبْدَهُ وَهَزَمَ

الْأَحْزَابَ وَحْدَهُ. رواه أبو داود، باب في التكبير على كل شرف في المسير، رقم: ۲۷۷۰

187. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam while returning from Jihād, Ḥajj or 'Umrah on climbing every elevation would say *Allāhu Akbar* (Allāh is the most Great) three times, and then say:

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ..... وَحْدَهُ

None is worthy of worship but Allah, Who has no partner, to Whom the dominion belongs, to Whom praise is due and Who is Omnipotent, we are returning, repenting, worshipping, prostrating and praising our *Rabb*. Allāh has truthfully fulfilled His promise, helped His servant and defeated the enemies all by Himself.

(Abu Dāwūd)

۱۸۸- عَنْ عُمَرَ بْنِ مُرَّةَ الْجُهَنِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ دَعَا إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ، وَقَالَ لَهُ: يَا عُمَرُ بْنُ مُرَّةَ: أَنَا النَّبِيُّ الْمُرْسَلُ إِلَى الْعِبَادِ كَافَّةً، أَدْعُوهُمْ إِلَى الْإِسْلَامِ وَأَمْرُهُمْ بِحَقِّ الدَّمَاءِ، وَصِلَةِ الْأَرْحَامِ، وَعِبَادَةِ اللَّهِ، وَرَفْضِ الْأَصْنَامِ، وَحَجِّ الْبَيْتِ، وَصِيَامِ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ مِنْ اثْنَيْ عَشَرَ شَهْرًا، فَمَنْ أَجَابَ فَلَهُ الْجَنَّةُ، وَمَنْ عَصَى فَلَهُ النَّارُ، فَأَمِنْ بِاللَّهِ يَا عُمَرُ يَوْمَ تَمُوتُكَ اللَّهُ مِنْ هَوْلِ جَهَنَّمَ، قُلْتُ: أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَنَّكَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ، وَأَمَنْتُ بِكُلِّ مَا جِئْتَ بِهِ بِحَلَالٍ وَحَرَامٍ وَإِنْ أَرَعَمَ ذَلِكَ كَثِيرًا مِنَ الْأَقْوَامِ، فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: مَرْحَبًا بِكَ يَا عُمَرُ بْنُ مُرَّةَ، فَقُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ يَا أَبَى أَنْتَ وَأُمِّي، ابْعَثْنِي إِلَى قَوْمِي لَعَلَّ اللَّهَ أَنْ يَمُنَّ بِي عَلَيْهِمْ كَمَا مَنَّ بِكَ عَلَيَّ، فَبَعَثَنِي

إِلَيْهِمْ فَقَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِالرَّفْقِ وَالْقَوْلِ السَّيِّدِ، وَلَا تَكُنْ فُظًّا وَلَا مُتَكَبِّرًا وَلَا حَسُودًا، فَأَتَيْتُ قَوْمِي فَقُلْتُ: يَا بَنِي رِفَاعَةَ، يَا مَعَاشِرَ جُهَيْنَةَ، إِنِّي رَسُولُ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ إِلَيْكُمْ، أَدْعُوكُمْ إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ وَأُحَذِّرُكُمْ النَّارَ، وَأَمُرُكُمْ بِحَقِّ الدِّمَاءِ، وَصِلَةِ الْأَرْحَامِ، وَعِبَادَةِ اللَّهِ، وَرَفْضِ الْأَصْنَامِ، وَحَجِّ الْبَيْتِ، وَصِيَامِ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ شَهْرٍ مِنْ اثْنَيْ عَشَرَ شَهْرًا، فَمَنْ أَجَابَ فَلَهُ الْجَنَّةُ، وَمَنْ عَصَى فَلَهُ النَّارُ، يَا مَعَاشِرَ جُهَيْنَةَ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ -عَزَّوَجَلَّ- جَعَلَكُمْ خِيَارَ مَنْ أَنْتُمْ مِنْهُ، وَبَعْضُ إِلَيْكُمْ فِي جَاهِلِيَّتِكُمْ مَأْجِبٌ إِلَيَّ غَيْرِكُمْ، مِنْ أَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا يَجْمَعُونَ بَيْنَ الْأَخْتَيْنِ، وَيَخْلِفُ الرَّجُلُ مِنْهُنَّ عَلَى امْرَأَةِ أَبِيهِ، وَالْغَزَاةُ فِي الشَّهْرِ الْحَرَامِ، فَأَجِيبُوا هَذَا النَّبِيَّ الْمُرْسَلَ مِنْ بَنِي لُؤَيٍّ بْنِ غَالِبٍ، تَنَالُوا شَرَفَ الدُّنْيَا وَكَرَامَةَ الْآخِرَةِ، وَسَارِعُوا فِي ذَلِكَ يَكُنْ لَكُمْ فَضِيلَةٌ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ، فَأَجَابُوهُ إِلَّا رَجُلًا وَاحِدًا.

رواه الطبراني مختصرا من مجمع الزوائد ٤٤١/٨

188. 'Amr ibne-Murrah Juhani Rāḍiyallāhu 'anhu was invited towards Islām by Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam. He said: O 'Amr ibne-Murrah! I am a Prophet sent towards the entire mankind. I invite them towards Islām. I command them to respect blood (do not kill anyone unjustly); bind the ties of kinship; worship Allāh; give up idols; perform the pilgrimage of the House of Allāh; fast in the month of Ramaḍān out of twelve months. He who obeys all these, for him is the Paradise. He who disobeys all these, Hell is for him. Have faith upon Allāh, O 'Amr! Allāh shall grant you peace from the horrors of the Hell. 'Amr said: I testify none has the right to be worshipped, except Allāh, and verily, you are the messenger of Allāh, and I believe upon whatever you have brought, permitted or forbidden; though this will displease many people. Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam said: You are welcome, O 'Amr ibne-Murrah! Then Amr said: O Rasūlallāh! May my mother and father sacrifice their lives for you; you depute me to my people. May Allāh grant His bounty to my people through me as He has granted me bounty through you. So, He sent me to them and instructed me: Treat them kindly and speak uprightly, but not harshly, not to be arrogant and not to be jealous. I came to my people and said: O Bani Rifā'ah! O people of Juhania! I am a messenger of Rasūl of Allāh towards you. I invite you to Paradise and warn you of Hell; and I ask you to respect blood, bind the ties of relationship, worship Allāh; give up idols, perform pilgrimage of the house of Allāh, and fast during the month of Ramaḍān out of the twelve months. Whoever obeys all of

these, Paradise is for him. Whoever disobeys all of these, Hell is for him. O people of Juhania! Allāh has made you the best amongst the Arabs. From the time of ignorance, he has put hatred in your heart for the evil things which others liked. They used to marry two real sisters at one time, and married the wife of their father, and fought in the holy months. So, accept the invitation of the Messenger sent by Allāh who belongs to Bani Lui ibne-Ghālib tribe, you will get the nobility of this world and the honour of the Hereafter. And hasten to accept this invitation, you will achieve excellence from Allāh. All the people of the tribe accepted Islam except one man. (Tabarānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

Note: There are four holy months in which Arabs did not fight. These are Muḥarrām, Rajab, Zi-qa‘dah and Zil-Ḥajj.

١٨٩- عَنْ كَعْبِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ كَانَ لَا يَقْدَمُ مِنْ سَفَرٍ إِلَّا نَهَارًا فِي الضُّحَى، فَإِذَا قَدِمَ بَدَأَ بِالْمَسْجِدِ، فَصَلَّى فِيهِ رَكْعَتَيْنِ ثُمَّ جَلَسَ فِيهِ. رواه مسلم، باب استحباب ركعتين في المسجد، ٠٠٠٠٠ رقم: ١٦٥٩

189. K‘ab ibne-Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam normally never returned from a journey but at the time of *Ṣalāt-uḍ-Ḍuḥa* (forenoon prayer). When he arrived, he first went to the Masjid, offered two *Raka‘ats* Ṣalāt, and sat down there. (Muslim)

١٩٠- عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا يَقُولُ: فَلَمَّا أَتَيْنَا الْمَدِينَةَ قَالَ (لِي رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ): ائْتِ الْمَسْجِدَ فَصَلِّ رَكْعَتَيْنِ. رواه البخارى، باب الهبة المقبوضة وغير المقبوضة، ٠٠٠٠٠ رقم: ٢٦٠٤

190. Jābir ibne-‘Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that when we came to Madīnah, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said to me: Go to the Masjid and offer two *Raka‘ats* Ṣalāt. (Bukhārī)

١٩١- عَنْ شِهَابِ بْنِ عَبَادٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ سَمِعَ بَعْضَ وَفِدِ عَبْدِ الْقَيْسِ وَهُمْ يَقُولُونَ: قَدِمْنَا عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ، فَاشْتَدَّ فَرْحُهُمْ بِنَا، فَلَمَّا انْتَهَيْنَا إِلَى الْقَوْمِ أَوْسَعُوا لَنَا فَقَعَدْنَا، فَرَحَّبَ بِنَا النَّبِيُّ ﷺ وَدَعَا لَنَا، ثُمَّ نَظَرَ إِلَيْنَا، فَقَالَ: مَنْ سَيِّدُكُمْ وَرَعِيْمُكُمْ؟ فَأَشْرَنَّا بِأَجْمَعِنَا إِلَى الْمُنْدَرِ بْنِ عَائِدٍ، فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ: أَمَ هَذَا الْأَشَجُّ؟ وَكَانَ أَوَّلَ يَوْمٍ وَضِعَ عَلَيْهِ هَذَا الْإِسْمُ بِضَرْبَةِ لَوْجِهِ بِحَافِرِ

حِمَارٍ، قُلْنَا: نَعَمْ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! فَتَخَلَّفَ بَعْدَ الْقَوْمِ، فَعَقَلَ رَوَاجِلَهُمْ وَضَمَّ مَتَاعَهُمْ، ثُمَّ أَخْرَجَ عَيْتَهُ فَأَلْقَى عَنْهُ ثِيَابَ السَّفَرِ وَلَبَسَ مِنْ صَالِحِ ثِيَابِهِ، ثُمَّ أَقْبَلَ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ وَقَدْ بَسَطَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ رِجْلَهُ وَاتَّكَأَ، فَلَمَّا دَنَا مِنْهُ الْأَشْجُ أَوْسَعَ الْقَوْمُ لَهُ، وَقَالُوا: هُهْنَا يَا أَشْجُ، فَقَالَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ وَاسْتَوَى قَاعِدًا وَقَبَضَ رِجْلَهُ: هُهْنَا يَا أَشْجُ، فَقَعَدَ عَنْ يَمِينِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فَرَحَّبَ بِهِ وَالْطُّفَهَ، وَسَأَلَهُ عَنْ بِلَادِهِ، وَسَمَّى لَهُ قَرْيَةَ قَرْيَةَ الصَّفَا وَالْمُشَقَّرِ وَغَيْرَ ذَلِكَ مِنْ قُرَى هَجَرَ، فَقَالَ: يَا أَبْنَى وَأُمْنَى يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! لَأَنْتَ أَعْلَمُ بِأَسْمَاءِ قُرَانَا مِنَّا، فَقَالَ: إِنِّي قَدْ وَطَنْتُ بِلَادَكُمْ وَفُيِّسَ لِي فِيهَا قَالَ: ثُمَّ أَقْبَلَ عَلَى الْأَنْصَارِ فَقَالَ: يَا مَعْشَرَ الْأَنْصَارِ! أَكْرِمُوا إِخْوَانَكُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ أَشْبَاهُكُمْ فِي الْإِسْلَامِ، أَشْبَهَ شَيْءٍ بِكُمْ أَشْعَارًا وَأَبْشَارًا، أَسْلَمُوا طَائِعِينَ غَيْرَ مُكْرَهِينَ وَلَا مُؤْتَوْرِينَ إِذْ أَلَى قَوْمٌ أَنْ يُسَلِّمُوا حَتَّى قُتِلُوا، قَالَ: فَلَمَّا أَنْ أَصْبَحُوا قَالَ: كَيْفَ رَأَيْتُمْ كَرَامَةَ إِخْوَانِكُمْ لَكُمْ وَضِيَّافَتَهُمْ إِيَّاكُمْ؟ قَالُوا: خَيْرَ إِخْوَانٍ، أَلَانُوا فِرَاشَنَا، وَأَطَابُوا مَطْعَمَنَا، وَبَاتُوا رَاحِصُوا يُعَلِّمُونَنَا كِتَابَ رَبِّنَا تَبَارَكَ وَتَعَالَى وَسُنَّةَ نَبِيِّنَا ﷺ، فَأَعْجَبَ النَّبِيُّ ﷺ وَفَرِحَ بِهِمَا، ثُمَّ أَقْبَلَ عَلَيْنَا رَجُلًا وَرَجُلًا، فَعَرَضْنَا عَلَيْهِ مَا تَعَلَّمْنَا وَعَلَّمْنَا، فَمِمَّا مِنْ عِلْمِ التَّحِيَّاتِ وَأَمِّ الْكِتَابِ وَالسُّورَةِ وَالسُّورَتَيْنِ وَالسُّنَنِ. (الحديث) رواه أحمد ٣٢٢/٤

191. Shihāb ibne-‘Abbād Raḥmatullāhi ‘alaiḥ narrates that I heard a man from a delegation of the tribe ‘Abad Al-Qais. He said: We went to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. The Muslims rejoiced much at our coming. When we reached the assembly of people, they made spacious room for us and we sat down there. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam welcomed us and prayed for us. Then looking at us Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam asked: Who is your chief and who is your leader? We all pointed towards Mundhir ibne-‘Āid. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Is this Ashaj? (some one who has an injury on his head and or face is called Ashaj) That was the first day he was called Ashaj. He had a mark of injury on his face suffered from the hoof of a donkey. We said: Yes O Rasūlallāh, He had stayed behind his people, he tied their riding animals and took care of their luggage. Then he took out his bag and changed his clothes of the journey, and wore clean clothes and came to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam. Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam was reclining and stretching his feet. When Ashaj came near, people made room for him and asked Ashaj to sit there. Nabī Ṣallallāhu

'alaihi wasallam sat up and folded his feet, and said: Come here. O Ashaj! He came and sat down to the right of Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam, who welcomed him, treated him kindly and enquired about his area, and also mentioned the names of towns like Safa, Mushqar and some other towns of Hajar. Ashaj said: May my mother and father sacrifice their lives for you; O Rasūlallāh! You know the names of our towns more than us. He said: I have walked in your areas and these have been opened to me. Then Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam turned his attention towards the *Ansār* and said: O People of *Ansār*! Treat your brothers generously for they are Muslims like you in Islām. They resemble you in respect of the colour of their hair and skin. They joined the fold of Islām with their own will. They were never forced, nor were they attacked and overpowered, (at a time) when other people refused to embrace Islām and some were even killed. (That delegation stayed with the *Ansār*). Then in the morning, Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam asked them: How did you find your brothers in treating and hosting you? They said: They are very good brothers. They gave us soft bedding, served us with good food, and taught us by night and day the Book of our *Rabb* Tabāraka wa Ta'ālā and the Sunnah of our Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam liked this, and was very pleased. Then he paid attention to us individually. We told him what we had learnt and what we were taught. Someone was taught, *Attahiyāt*, someone *Sūrah Fātiḥah*, someone one *Sūrah*, some two *Sūrah*, and some many *Sūnah*. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٩٢ - عَنْ جَابِرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ أَحْسَنَ مَا دَخَلَ الرَّجُلُ عَلَى أَهْلِهِ إِذَا قَدِمَ مِنْ سَفَرٍ أَوَّلَ اللَّيْلِ. رواه أبو داود، باب في الطروق، رقم: ٢٧٧٧

192. Jābir Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: The best time for a man returning to his family from a journey is at the beginning of the night. (Abu Dāwūd)

١٩٣ - عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: نَهَى رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ إِذَا أَطَالَ الرَّجُلُ الْغَيْبَةَ، أَنْ يَأْتِيَ أَهْلَهُ طُرُوقًا. رواه مسلم، باب كراهة الطروق، رقم: ٤٩٦٧

193. Jābir ibne-'Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam forbade a man who was away

for a prolonged duration to come back to his family by night.
(Muslim)

Note: From this ḥadīth it appears, it is not appropriate to return home suddenly after a prolonged journey, for the members of the family would not be mentally prepared to welcome him at night. However, if the family is already informed, then there is no harm in going home at night.

AVOIDING THE IRRELEVANT

VERSES OF QUR'ĀN

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā said to His Prophet Sallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam:

And say to My slaves (believers) that they should (only) say those words that are the best (in which no one's heart is hurt). Because Shaiṭān, verily, provokes discord among them. Surely, Shaiṭān is to man an open enemy. Al-Isra 17: 53

قال الله تعالى:

وَقُلْ لِعِبَادِي يَقُولُوا الَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ يَنْزِعُ بَيْنَهُمْ إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ كَانَتْ لِلْإِنْسَانِ عَدُوًّا مُبِينًا ﴿٥٣﴾

[الإسراء: ٥٣]

While mentioning the qualities of believers Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And those who turn away from unprofitable and shameful talk and actions. Al-Mu'minūn 23: 03

وقال تعالى:

وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ عَنِ اللَّغْوِ مُعْرِضُونَ ﴿٢﴾

[المؤمنون: ٣]

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says: (A great Punishment would have touched you for that which you had spoken):

When you were spreading it with your tongues, and saying with your mouths that of which you had no

وقال تعالى:

إِذْ تَلَقَّوْنَهُ بِالسِّنِّتِ كُمْ وَتَقُولُونَ بِأَفْوَاهِكُمْ مَا لَيْسَ لَكُم بِهِ عِلْمٌ وَتَحْسِبُونَهُ هينًا

knowledge; and you considered that to be insignificant, while with Allāh it was something very great. And why did you not, when you heard it, say: It is not right for us to speak of this. Glory is to You (O Allāh), this is a great false accusation.

Allāh advises you not to repeat this ever again, if you are believers.

An-Nūr 24: 15-17

Note: These verses refer to an incident, when the hypocrites falsely propagated a slander against 'Ā'ishah Raḍiyallāhu 'anha, at which some simple Muslims innocently began to spread the rumour.

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā while mentioning qualities of believers, says:

And those who do not participate in false works (neither lie, nor give false witness, nor attend meetings of wrong affairs and sins). And when they pass by playful meetings they pass honourably

Al-Furqān 25: 72

Note: They neither join others in sins, nor pay heed to playful meetings which go beyond the forbidden limits and nor get unnecessarily involved with them.

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

And when they hear unprofitable and shameful talk, they withdraw from it.

Al-Qaṣaṣ 28:55

Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

O you who believe! If an evil doer brings you a piece of news, then

وَهُوَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ عَظِيمٌ ﴿٥٥﴾

وَلَوْلَا إِذْ سَمِعْتُمُوهُ قُلْتُمْ مَا يَكُونُ لَنَا أَنْ نَتَكَلَّمَ بِهَذَا سُبْحَنَكَ هَذَا

بِئْسَ عَظِيمٌ ﴿٥٦﴾

يَعْظُمُ اللَّهُ أَنْ تَعُودُوا لِمِثْلِهِ أَبَدًا إِنْ كُنْتُمْ مُؤْمِنِينَ ﴿٥٧﴾

[النور: ٥٥-٥٧]

وقال تعالى:

وَالَّذِينَ لَا يَشْهَدُونَ

الزُّورَ وَإِذَا مَرُّوا بِاللَّغْوِ

مَرُّوا كِرَامًا ﴿٧٢﴾ [الفرقان: ٧٢]

وقال تعالى:

وَإِذَا سَمِعُوا اللَّغْوَ أَعْرَضُوا عَنْهُ

[القصص: ٥٥]

وقال تعالى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِنْ جَاءَكُمْ فَاسِقٌ بِنَبَأٍ

make a strict enquiry lest (believing in his words) you harm people in ignorance and afterwards become regretful of what you have done.

Al-Hujurāt 49: 6

فَتَبَيَّنُوا أَنْ تُصِيبُوا قَوْمًا بِجَهْلَةٍ
فَتُصِيبُوا عَلَى مَا فَعَلْتُمْ

تَدْرِيكِ [الحجرات: ٦]

Allāh Subhānahū wa Ta'ālā says:

Not a word is uttered by him (man) except that there is an observer (angel) ready (to note down whatever he says).

Qāf 50: 18

وقال تعالى:

مَا يَلْفِظُ مِنْ قَوْلٍ إِلَّا لَدَيْهِ

رَقِيبٌ عَتِيدٌ [ق: ١٨]

AḤĀDĪTH

١- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مِنْ حَسَنِ إِسْلَامِ الْمَرْءِ تَرْكُهُ مَا لَا

يَعْنِيهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب حديث من حسن إسلام المرء رقم: ٢٣١٧

1. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: The excellence and good observance of Islām by a man is to leave aside what does not concern him. (Tirmidhī)

Note: The meaning of this ḥadith is that the perfection and beauty of a man's belief is reflected in his giving up unprofitable talk and actions.

٢- عَنْ سَهْلِ بْنِ سَعْدٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: مَنْ يَضْمَنْ لِي مَا بَيْنَ لَحْيَيْهِ وَمَا

بَيْنَ رِجْلَيْهِ، أَضْمَنْ لَهُ الْجَنَّةَ. رواه البخارى، باب حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٦٤٧٤

2. Sahl ibne-Sa'd Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: He who guarantees me of what is between his jaws and what is between his legs, I shall guarantee him Paradise. (Bukhārī)

٣- عَنْ الْحَارِثِ بْنِ هِشَامٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَخْبِرْنِي بِأَمْرِ أَعْتَصِمُ بِهِ، فَقَالَ

رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَمْلِكْ هَذَا وَأَشَارَ إِلَى لِسَانِهِ. رواه الطبراني باسنادين وأحدهما جيد، مجمع الزوائد ٥٣٦/١٠

3. Hārith ibne-Hishām Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I inquired Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam: Tell me something which I may hold to firmly. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam pointed towards his tongue and said: Control this. (Tabrānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٤- عَنْ أَبِي جُحَيْفَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَيُّ الْأَعْمَالِ أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: فَسَكَتُوا فَلَمْ يُجِبْهُ أَحَدٌ. قَالَ: هُوَ حِفْظُ اللِّسَانِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٤٥/٤

4. Abu Juhaifah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam asked the Ṣahābah Radiallāhu ‘anhum: Which deed is the most pleasing to Almighty Allāh? Everyone kept quiet and did not reply. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam then said: It is to guard one’s tongue. (Baihaqī)

٥- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَا يَتْلُغُ الْعَبْدُ حَقِيقَةَ الْإِيمَانِ حَتَّى يَحْزَنَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ. رواه الطبراني في الصغير والأوسط وفيه داود بن هلال، ذكره ابن أبي الحاتم ولم يذكر فيه ضعفاً، وبقية رجاله رجال الصحيح غير زهير بن عباد وقد وثقه جماعة، مجمع الزوائد ٥٤٣/١٠

5. Anas ibne-Mālik Radiallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: A slave of Allāh cannot attain the reality of Imān, until he guards his tongue. (Tabrānī, Majma-uz-Zawāid)

٦- عَنْ عُقْبَةَ بْنِ عَامِرٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مَا النَّجَاةُ؟ قَالَ: أَمْلِكْ عَلَيْكَ لِسَانَكَ، وَلَيْسَعَكَ بَيْتُكَ، وَأَبْكِ عَلَى خَطِيئَتِكَ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن، باب ما جاء في حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٢٤٠٦

6. ‘Uqba ibne-‘Āmir Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that I asked: O Rasūlallāh! What is the way to salvation? He said: Control your tongue, remain in your house, and weep over your sins. (Tirmidhī)

Note: Control your tongue means that it should not be used wrongly, e.g. backbiting, slandering, talking immodestly, speaking unnecessarily, talking carelessly, quarrelling, abusing, cursing men and animals, excessively indulging in poetry, mocking, disclosing secrets, making false promises, swearing falsely, duplicity, flattery and asking uncalled questions. (Itihāf)

٧- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ وَقَاهُ اللَّهُ شَرَّ مَا بَيْنَ لَحْيَيْهِ وَشَرَّ مَا بَيْنَ رِجْلَيْهِ دَخَلَ الْجَنَّةَ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب ما جاء في حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٢٤٠٩

7. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Whom Allāh saves from the evil of that which is between his jaws and the evil of that which is between his legs, he will enter Paradise. (Tirmidhī)

٨- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: جَاءَ رَجُلٌ إِلَى النَّبِيِّ ﷺ فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَوْصِنِي، فَقَالَ (فِيمَا أَوْصَى بِهِ): وَاخْزَنْ لِسَانَكَ إِلَّا مِنْ خَيْرٍ، فَإِنَّكَ بِذَلِكَ تَغْلِبُ الشَّيْطَانَ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه أبو يعلى وفي إسناده ليث بن أبي سليم وهو مدلس، قال المحقق: الحديث حسن، مجمع الزوائد/٤: ٣٩٢

8. Abu Sa‘īd Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a man came to Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and said: O Rasūlallāh! Advise me. He advised (amongst other things): Protect your tongue except for good. Undoubtedly, by this you will overcome Shaiṭān. (Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٩- عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ رَفَعَهُ قَالَ: إِذَا أَصْبَحَ ابْنُ آدَمَ فَإِنَّ الْأَعْضَاءَ كُلَّهَا تُكْفِّرُ اللِّسَانَ فَتَقُولُ: اتَّقِ اللَّهَ فِينَا فَإِنَّمَا نَحْنُ بِكَ، فَإِنْ اسْتَقَمَّتْ اسْتَقَمَّمْنَا، وَإِنْ اعْوَجَجَتْ اعْوَجَجْنَا. رواه الترمذی، باب ما جاء في حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٢٤٠٧

9. Abu Sa‘īd Al Khudrī Radiallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: When a man gets up in the morning, all the limbs humble themselves before the tongue and say: Fear Allāh concerning us, for we are dependent on you. If you are straight we are straight, if you are crooked we are crooked. (Tirmidhī)

١٠- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سِئِلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ عَنْ أَكْثَرِ مَا يُدْخِلُ النَّاسَ الْجَنَّةَ، قَالَ: تَقْوَى اللَّهِ وَحُسْنُ الْخُلُقِ، وَسِئِلَ عَنْ أَكْثَرِ مَا يُدْخِلُ النَّاسَ النَّارَ، قَالَ: الْقَمَمُ وَالْفَرْجُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث صحيح غريب، باب ما جاء في حسن الخلق، رقم: ٢٠٠٤

10. Abu Hurairah Radiallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam was asked: What will be greatest means of people entering into Paradise? He said: Fear of Allāh and good

conduct. Then he was asked: What will be the greatest means of people going into Hell? He said: The mouth and the private parts. (Tirmidhī)

١١ - عَنْ الْبَرَاءِ بْنِ عَازِبٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: جَاءَ أَعْرَابِيٌّ إِلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! عَلِّمْنِي عَمَلًا يُدْخِلُنِي الْجَنَّةَ، فَذَكَرَ الْحَدِيثَ فِي أَمْرِهِ إِيَّاهُ بِالْإِعْتِقَاقِ وَفَكَرَ الرِّقَبَةَ وَالْمِنْحَةَ وَغَيْرَ ذَلِكَ ثُمَّ قَالَ: فَإِنْ لَمْ تُطِيقْ ذَلِكَ فَكُفَّ لِسَانَكَ إِلَّا مِنْ خَيْرٍ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٣٩/٤

11. Barā ibne-‘Āzib Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that a villager came to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam and said: O Rasūlallāh! Tell me such a deed which may take me to Paradise. He mentioned some deeds: To set slaves free, to relieve the neck from the burden of debt, and to gift an animal to benefit others from its milk and besides some other deeds. And then said: If you cannot do so then restrain your tongue to speak nothing but good. (Bāihaqī)

١٢ - عَنْ أَسْوَدَ بْنِ أَصْرَمَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَوْصِنِي، قَالَ: تَمْلِكُ يَدَكَ، قُلْتُ: فَمَاذَا أَمْلِكُ إِذَا لَمْ أَمْلِكْ يَدِي؟ قَالَ: تَمْلِكُ لِسَانَكَ، قُلْتُ: فَمَاذَا أَمْلِكُ إِذَا لَمْ أَمْلِكْ لِسَانِي؟ قَالَ: لَا تَبْسُطُ يَدَكَ إِلَّا إِلَى خَيْرٍ وَلَا تَقُلْ بِلِسَانِكَ إِلَّا مَعْرُوفًا. رواه الطبراني وإسناده حسن، مجمع الزوائد ٥٣٨/١٠

12. Aswad ibne-Aṣram Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that he requested: O Rasūlallāh! Advise me. He said: Control your hands. I said: If my hands are not in my control, then what else can be in my control? Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Control your tongue. I said: If my tongue is not in my control, then what else can be in my control? He then said: Do not use your hands except for good works, and do not say from your tongue except what is good. (Tabrānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١٣ - عَنْ أَسْلَمَ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ أَنَّ عُمَرَ بْنَ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَطْلَعَ عَلَى أَبِي بَكْرٍ وَهُوَ يَمْدُ لِسَانَهُ، قَالَ: مَا تَصْنَعُ يَا خَلِيفَةَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ؟ قَالَ: إِنَّ هَذَا الَّذِي أَوْرَدَنِي الْمَوَارِدَ، إِنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: لَيْسَ شَيْءٌ مِنَ الْجَسَدِ إِلَّا يَشْكُو ذَرْبَ اللِّسَانِ عَلَى حِدَّتِهِ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٤٤/٤

13. Aslam Raḥimahullāh narrates that ‘Umar ibn al-Khattāb Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu saw Abu Bakr pulling his tongue. ‘Umar asked: O Khalifah of Rasūlullāh! What are you doing? He said: Indeed this tongue has brought me to the place of destruction. Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: There is no part of the body that does not complain to the tongue of its sharpness for its speaking evil. (Baihaqī)

١٤ - عَنْ خُذَيْفَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: كُنْتُ رَجُلًا ذَرَبَ اللِّسَانِ عَلَى أَهْلِي، فَقُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! قَدْ خَشِيتُ أَنْ يُدْخِلَنِي لِسَانِي النَّارَ، قَالَ: فَأَيْنَ أَنْتَ مِنَ الْإِسْتِغْفَارِ؟ إِنِّي لَا أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ فِي الْيَوْمِ مِائَةً. رواه أحمد ٣٩٧/٥

14. Hudhaifah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that I was sharp tongued with my family; I said: O Rasūlallāh I fear that my tongue will take me to Hell. He said: Where has your seeking forgiveness gone? I undoubtedly seek forgiveness from my Rabb a hundred times every day. (Musnad Aḥmad)

١٥ - عَنْ عَبْدِ بْنِ حَاتِمٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَيْمَنُ امْرِئٍ وَأَشْأَمُهُ مَا بَيْنَ لَحْيَيْهِ. رواه الطبرانی ورجاله رجال الصحيح، مجمع الزوائد ١٠/٥٣٨

15. ‘Adīy ibne-Ḥātim Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Good and evil for a man is between his two jaws. (Tabrānī, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

١٦ - عَنِ الْحَسَنِ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ يَقُولُ: بَلَّغْنَا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: رَجِمَ اللَّهُ عَبْدًا تَكَلَّمَ فَغَنِمَ، أَوْ سَكَتَ فَسَلِمَ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٤/٢٤١

16. Hasan Raḥimahullāh says that a ḥadīth has been conveyed to us that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: Ma‘y Allāh have Mercy on His slave who speaks good and avails the benefit of it, or remains silent and so remains safe. (Baihaqī)

١٧ - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ صَمَتَ نَجَا. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب حديث من كان يؤمن بالله ١٠٠٠، رقم: ٢٥٠١

17. ‘Abdullāh ibn ‘Amr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam said: He who keeps silent gets deliverance. (Tirmidhī)

Note: It means that he who restrains his tongue from useless talk is saved from many troubles, distress and harm of this world and that of the next. A man is caught up in troubles mostly on account of his tongue. (Mirqāt)

١٨ - عَنْ عِمْرَانَ بْنِ حِطَّانَ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: لَقِيتُ أَبَا ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ فَوَجَدْتُهُ فِي الْمَسْجِدِ مُخْتَبِئًا بِكِسَاءٍ أَسْوَدَ وَحَدَهُ، فَقَالَ: يَا أَبَا ذَرٍّ مَا هَذِهِ الْوَحْدَةُ؟ فَقَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: الْوَحْدَةُ خَيْرٌ مِنْ جَلِيسِ السُّوءِ وَالْجَلِيسُ الصَّالِحُ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الْوَحْدَةِ، وَإِمْلَاءُ الْخَيْرِ خَيْرٌ مِنَ السُّكُوتِ وَالسُّكُوتُ خَيْرٌ مِنْ إِمْلَاءِ الشَّرِّ. رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٥٦/٤

18. 'Imrān ibne-Ḥaṭṭān Rahimahullāh narrated that I went to Abu Dhar Raḍiallāhu 'anhu and found him sitting alone in the masjid, with a black cloak wrapped around. I asked him: O Abu Dhar! Why this solitude? He replied: I had heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam saying: Solitude is better than an evil companion; and a good companion is better than solitude. Speaking what is good is better than silence, and silence is better than talking evil. (Baihaqī)

١٩ - عَنْ أَبِي ذَرٍّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: دَخَلْتُ عَلَى رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ فَقُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَوْصِنِي، فَذَكَرَ الْحَدِيثَ بِطَوْلِهِ إِلَى أَنْ قَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِطَوْلِ الصَّمْتِ، فَإِنَّهُ مَطْرَدَةٌ لِلشَّيْطَانِ وَعَوْنٌ لَكَ عَلَى أَمْرِ دِينِكَ، قُلْتُ: زِدْنِي، قَالَ: إِيَّاكَ وَكَثْرَةَ الصَّحْكِ فَإِنَّهُ يُمِيتُ الْقَلْبَ وَيَذْهَبُ بِنُورِ الْوَجْهِ. (وهو بعض الحديث) رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٤٢/٤

19. Abu Dhar Raḍiallāhu 'anhu narrates: I went to Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam and said: O Rasūlallāh! Advise me. He mentioned a long tradition till he said: You observe prolonged silence, for this drives away the Shaitan and helps you in your religious affairs. Abu Dhar said: Advise me more. He said: Avoid too much laughing, for indeed it brings death to the heart, and removes the Nūr (light) of the face. (Baihaqī)

٢٠ - عَنْ أَنَسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ لَقِيَ أَبَا ذَرٍّ فَقَالَ: يَا أَبَا ذَرٍّ! أَلَا أَدُلُّكَ عَلَى خَصْلَتَيْنِ هُمَا أَخَفُّ عَلَى الظَّهْرِ وَأَثْقَلُ فِي الْمِيزَانِ مِنْ غَيْرِهِمَا؟ قَالَ: بَلَى يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، قَالَ: عَلَيْكَ بِحُسْنِ الْخُلُقِ وَطَوْلِ الصَّمْتِ وَالَّذِي نَفْسُ مُحَمَّدٍ بِيَدِهِ مَا عَمِلَ الْخَلَائِقُ بِمِثْلِهِمَا. (الحديث) رواه البيهقي في شعب الإيمان ٢٤٢/٤

20. Anas Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam met Abu Dhar and said: O Abu Dhar! Shall I not tell you of two qualities which are light on the back, and are very heavy on the Scale as compared to others? Abu Dhar said: Yes verily, O Rasūlallāh! He said: Adopt good manners and observe prolonged silence. I swear by Him Who has control on the life of Muḥammad, none of the deeds performed by any of the creation is as virtuous as these two. (Baihaqī)

٢١- عَنْ مُعَاذِ بْنِ جَبَلٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! أَكُلُّ مَا نَتَكَلَّمُ بِهِ يَكْتَبُ عَلَيْنَا؟ فَقَالَ: ثَكَلْتُكَ أُمُّكَ، وَهَلْ يَكْتُبُ النَّاسُ عَلَى مَنَاحِرِهِمْ فِي النَّارِ إِلَّا حَصَائِدُ أَلْسِنَتِهِمْ، إِنَّكَ لَنْ تَزَالَ سَالِمًا مَا سَكَتَ، فَإِذَا تَكَلَّمْتَ كُتِبَ لَكَ أَوْ عَلَيْكَ. قلت: رواه الترمذی باختصار من قوله: إِنَّكَ لَنْ تَزَالَ إِلَى آخِرِهِ. رواه الطبرانی بإسنادين ورجال أحدهما ثقات، مجمع الزوائد ٣٨/١٠

21. Mu‘ādh ibne-Jabal Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that I asked: O Rasūlallāh! Is all that we say recorded for us? (and will we be punished for it) He said: May your mother be bereaved of you (understand well) that there is nothing more that throws people over their noses into Hell-Fire than the harvest of their tongues. Indeed you remain safe as long as you are silent but when you speak it will either be recorded in your favour (a good deed) or against you (a sin). (Tabrānī, Majma‘-uz-Zawāid)

Note: “May your mother be bereaved of you” is, according to the Arab tradition, an address of affection and not of cursing.

٢٢- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: أَكْثَرُ خَطَايَا ابْنِ آدَمَ فِي لِسَانِهِ. (وهو طرف من الحديث) رواه الطبرانی ورجاله رجال الصحيح، مجمع الزوائد ٣٨/١٠

22. ‘Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that he heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: Most of the faults that the son of Ādam commits are by his tongue. (Tabrānī, Majma‘-uz-Zawāid)

٢٣- عَنْ أُمِّ ابْنَةِ أَبِي الْحَكَمِ الْغَفَارِيَّةِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ الرَّجُلَ لَيَدْنُو مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ حَتَّى مَا يَكُونُ بَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَهَا قِيدُ ذِرَاعٍ فَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ فَيَتَبَاعَدُ مِنْهَا أَبْعَدَ مِنْ صَنَعَاءَ. رواه أحمد ورجاله رجال الصحيح غير محمد بن إسحاق وقد وثق، مجمع الزوائد ٣٣/١٠

23. A maid-slave of the daughter of Abul Ḥakam Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha

narrates that she heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: Indeed a person comes so close to Paradise that between him and Paradise there remains a distance of an arm’s length; then he speaks such a word because of which he is removed from Paradise more than the distance from Madīnah to Sana‘ā. (Musnad Aḥmad, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٢٤ - عَنْ بِلَالِ بْنِ الْحَارِثِ الْمُزَنِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ صَاحِبِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنْ أَحَدُكُمْ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ مِنْ رِضْوَانِ اللَّهِ مَا يَظُنُّ أَنْ تَبْلُغَ مَا بَلَغَتْ، فَيَكُتُبَ اللَّهُ لَهُ بِهَا رِضْوَانَهُ إِلَى يَوْمٍ يَلْقَاهُ، وَإِنْ أَحَدُكُمْ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ مِنْ سَخَطِ اللَّهِ مَا يَظُنُّ أَنْ تَبْلُغَ مَا بَلَغَتْ، فَيَكُتُبَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ بِهَا سَخَطَهُ إِلَى يَوْمٍ يَلْقَاهُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن صحيح، باب ما جاء في قلة الكلام، رقم: ٢٣١٩

24. Bilāl ibne-Hārith Al-Muzanī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu, a companion of Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: Any of you says something that pleases to Allāh, which he does not deem important, but by this saying, Allāh destines His pleasure for him till the Day of Resurrection. And someone of you says something that displeases to Allāh, which he does not deem important, but by this saying, Allāh destines His displeasure for him till the Day of Resurrection. (Tirmidhī)

٢٥ - عَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ يَرْفَعُهُ قَالَ: إِنْ الرَّجُلُ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ لَا يُرِيدُ بِهَا بَأْسًا إِلَّا لِيُضْحِكَ بِهَا الْقَوْمَ، فَإِنَّهُ لَيَقَعُ مِنْهَا أَبْعَدَ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ. رواه أحمد ٣/٣٨

25. Abu Sa‘īd Al-Khudrī Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: A man says such a word not considering it to be significant and only to make people laugh, by which he plunges himself into the depth of Hell to a distance more than that between the earth and the sky. (Musnad Aḥmad)

٢٦ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنْ الْعَبْدَ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ مِنْ رِضْوَانِ اللَّهِ لَا يُلْقِي لَهَا بَأْسًا يَرْفَعُ اللَّهُ بِهَا دَرَجَاتٍ، وَإِنْ الْعَبْدَ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ مِنْ سَخَطِ اللَّهِ لَا يُلْقِي لَهَا بَأْسًا يَهْوِي بِهَا فِي جَهَنَّمَ. رواه البخارى، باب حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٦٤٧٨

26. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu

‘alāihi wasallam wasallam said: A man speaks a word pleasing to Allāh, without considering it of any importance, yet Allāh exalts him in ranks for it. And a man speaks a word displeasing to Allāh, without considering it of any importance, due to which he falls into Hell. (Bukhārī)

٢٧- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِنَّ الْعَبْدَ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ مَا يَتَّبِعُنَّ مَا

فِيهَا، يَهْوِي بِهَا فِي النَّارِ أَبْعَدَ مَا بَيْنَ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ. رواه مسلم، باب حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٧٤٨٢

27. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: A man speaks something thoughtlessly because of which he falls deep into Hell to a distance more than that between the East and the West. (Muslim)

٢٨- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ الرَّجُلَ لَيَتَكَلَّمُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ لَا يَرَى

بِهَا بَأْسًا، يَهْوِي بِهَا سَبْعِينَ خَرِيفًا فِي النَّارِ. رواه الترمذى وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب ما جاء من

تكلم بالكلمة، رقم: ٢٣١٤

28. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: Indeed a man says something not thinking it to be harmful, and for it, he falls into Hell equal to a journey of seventy years. (Tirmidhī)

٢٩- عَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ الْعَاصِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: لَقَدْ أُمِرْتُ أَنْ

أَتَجَوَّزَ فِي الْقَوْلِ، فَإِنَّ الْجَوَّازَ هُوَ خَيْرٌ. رواه أبو داود، باب ما جاء في التشدق في الكلام، رقم: ٥٠٠٨

29. ‘Amr ibn al-‘Ās Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: I have been commanded to talk briefly, for brevity is better. (Abu Dāwūd)

٣٠- عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ كَانَ يُؤْمِنُ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ

فَلْيَقُلْ خَيْرًا أَوْ لِيَصْمُتْ. (الحديث) رواه البخارى، باب حفظ اللسان، رقم: ٦٤٧٥

30. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: He who believes in Allāh and the Last Day, should speak what is good or be silent. (Bukhārī)

٣١- عَنْ أُمِّ حَبِيبَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا زَوْجِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: كَلَامُ ابْنِ آدَمَ عَلَيْهِ لَا لَهُ، إِلَّا أَمْرٌ بِمَعْرُوفٍ أَوْ نَهْيٌ عَنْ مُنْكَرٍ أَوْ ذِكْرُ اللَّهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب منه

حديث كل كلام ابن آدم عليه لا له، الجامع الصحيح لسنن الترمذی، رقم: ٢٤١٢

31. Umme Habiba Raḍiyallāhu ‘anha, wife of Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam, narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: The words of the son of Ādam are against him except enjoining good, prohibiting evil or remembering Allāh. (Tirmidhī)

٣٢- عَنِ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: لَا تُكْثِرِ الْكَلَامَ بِغَيْرِ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ، فَإِنَّ كَثْرَةَ الْكَلَامِ بِغَيْرِ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ قَسْوَةٌ لِلْقَلْبِ، وَإِنَّ أَبْعَدَ النَّاسِ مِنَ اللَّهِ الْقَلْبُ الْقَاسِي. رواه

الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن غريب، باب منه النهي عن كثرة الكلام إلا بذكر الله، رقم: ٢٤١١

32. ‘Abdullāh ibne-‘Umar Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: Do not speak too much except in glorifying Allāh, for talking too much without remembering Allāh causes hardness of the heart. And amongst the people farthest away from Allāh are those, whose hearts are hard. (Tirmidhī)

٣٣- عَنِ الْمُغِيرَةِ بْنِ شُعْبَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَرِهَ لَكُمْ ثَلَاثًا: قِيلَ وَقَالَ، وَإِضَاعَةَ الْمَالِ، وَكَثْرَةَ السُّؤَالِ. رواه البخارى، باب قول الله عز وجل لا يسألون الناس إلحافًا،

رقم: ١٤٧٧

33. Mughīrah ibne-Shu‘bah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that he heard Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: Indeed Allāh has disliked three habits for you. 1) Gossiping, 2) Squandering wealth, and 3) Asking too many questions. (Bukhārī)

٣٤- عَنْ عَمَّارٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: مَنْ كَانَ لَهُ وَجْهَانِ فِي الدُّنْيَا، كَانَ لَهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ لِسَانَانِ مِنْ نَارٍ. رواه أبو داود، باب في ذى الوجهين، رقم: ٤٨٧٣

34. ‘Ammār Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: He who is two-faced in this world, will have two tongues of fire on the Day of Resurrection. (Abu Dāwūd)

٣٥- عَنْ مُعَاذٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ! مُرْنِي بِعَمَلٍ يَدْخِلُنِي الْجَنَّةَ، قَالَ: آمِنْ بِاللَّهِ

وَقُلْ خَيْرًا يُكْتَبُ لَكَ، وَلَا تَقُلْ شَرًّا فَيُكْتَبَ عَلَيْكَ. رواه الطبرانی في الأوسط، مجمع الزوائد ١٠٠/٣٩٥

35. Mu'ādh Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū asked: O Rasūlallāh! Command me such a deed that may send me to Paradise. He replied: Believe in Allāh and speak good words, reward will be written for you; and speak no evil words that will be written against you. (Tabrānī, Majma-uz-Zawā'id)

٣٦- عَنْ مُعَاوِيَةَ بْنِ حِذَافَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ يَقُولُ: وَيْلٌ لِلَّذِي يُحَدِّثُ بِالْحَدِيثِ لِيُضْحِكَ بِهِ الْقَوْمَ فَيَكْذِبُ، وَيْلٌ لَهُ وَيْلٌ لَهُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن، باب ما جاء من تكلم بالكلمة ليضحك الناس، رقم: ٢٣١٥

36. Mu'āwiyah ibne-Hīdah Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates: I heard Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam saying: Woe to him who says something false just to make people laugh; woe to him, woe to him. (Tirmidhī)

٣٧- عَنْ ابْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا كَذَبَ الْعَبْدُ تَبَاعَدَ عَنْهُ الْمَلَكُ مِثْلًا مِنْ ثَنَيْنِ مَا جَاءَ بِهِ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث حسن جيد غريب، باب ما جاء في الصدق والكذب، رقم: ١٩٧٢

37. 'Abdullāh ibne-'Umar Raḍiyallāhu 'anhūma narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam said: When a man tells a lie, the angels move a mile away from him due to the bad odour of what he came with. (Tirmidhī)

٣٨- عَنْ سُفْيَانَ بْنِ أَصِيدٍ الْحَضْرَمِيِّ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: كَبُرَتْ خِيَانَةٌ أَنْ تُحَدِّثَ أَخَاكَ حَدِيثًا هُوَ لَكَ بِهِ مُصَدِّقٌ، وَأَنْتَ لَهُ بِهِ كَاذِبٌ. رواه أبو داود، باب في المعارض، رقم: ٤٩٧١

38. Sufyān ibne-Asīd Al-Ḥaḍramī Raḍiyallāhu 'anhū narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu 'alāihi wasallam saying: It is great unfaithfulness that you say something to your brother, and he believes you while you are lying. (Abu Dāwūd)

Note: This means that though lying is a serious sin; but in certain situations its seriousness is intensified. For instance, a man trusts you and you take undue advantage of this trust by lying and deceiving him.

٣٩- عَنْ أَبِي أُمَامَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: يُطْبِعُ الْمُؤْمِنُ عَلَى الْخِلَالِ كُلِّهَا إِلَّا الْخِيَانَةَ وَالْكَذِبَ. رواه أحمد/٥٥٢/٢٥٢

39. Abu Umāmah Rāḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: A believer may naturally have all qualities (good or bad) except deception and falsehood. (Musnad Ahmād)

٤٠- عَنْ صَفْوَانَ بْنِ سُلَيْمٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: قِيلَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَأَيُّكُونُ الْمُؤْمِنُ جَبَانًا؟ فَقَالَ: نَعَمْ، فَقِيلَ لَهُ: أَأَيُّكُونُ الْمُؤْمِنُ بَخِيلًا؟ فَقَالَ: نَعَمْ، فَقِيلَ لَهُ أَأَيُّكُونُ الْمُؤْمِنُ كَذَّابًا؟ قَالَ: لَا. رواه الإمام مالك في الموطأ، ما جاء في الصدق والكذب، ص ٧٣٢

40. Safwān ibne-Sulaim Rāḥimahullāh narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam was asked: Could a believer be coward? He replied: Yes. He was asked: Could a believer be a miser? He replied: Yes. He was asked: Could a believer be liar? He replied: No. (Muatta Imām Mālik)

٤١- عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ قَالَ: تَقَبَّلُوا لِي سِتًّا، أَتَقَبَّلُ لَكُمْ بِالْجَنَّةِ، قَالُوا: مَا هِيَ؟ قَالَ: إِذَا حَدَّثَ أَحَدُكُمْ فَلَا يَكْذِبُ، وَإِذَا وَعَدَ فَلَا يُخْلِفُ، وَإِذَا أَتَمَّنَ فَلَا يُخْنِ، وَغَضُّوا أَبْصَارَكُمْ وَكَفُّوا أَيْدِيَكُمْ، وَاحْفَظُوا فُرُوجَكُمْ. رواه أبو يعلى ورجاله رجال الصحيح إلا أن يزيد بن سنان لم يسمع من أنس، وفي الحاشية: رواه أبو يعلى وفيه سعيد أو سعد بن سنان وليس فيه يزيد بن سنان وهو حسن الحديث، مجمع الزوائد ٥٤١/١٠

41. Anas ibne-Mālik Rāḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: You people guarantee six things about yourselves, I guarantee Paradise for you: They asked: What are these? He said: When anyone of you speaks, he should not lie; when he makes a promise, he should not break it; when entrusted, he should not breach the trust; lower your eyes; and control your hands; and protect your private parts. (Abu Ya’lā, Majma-‘uz-Zawāid)

٤٢- عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: إِنَّ الصَّدَقَ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْبِرِّ، وَإِنَّ الْبِرَّ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ، وَإِنَّ الرَّجُلَ لَيَصْدُقُ حَتَّى يُكْتَبَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ صِدْقًا، وَإِنَّ الْكَذِبَ يَهْدِي إِلَى

الْفُجُورَ، وَإِنَّ الْفُجُورَ يَهْدِي إِلَى النَّارِ، وَإِنَّ الرَّجُلَ لَيَكْذِبُ حَتَّى يُكْتَبَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ كَذَابًا. رواه مسلم باب قبح الكذب رقم: ٦٦٣٧

42. ‘Abdullāh Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: Undoubtedly, truth leads to good deeds, and good deeds lead to Paradise; a man keeps speaking the truth till he is labelled Siddīq (standard bearer of truth) by Allāh. Undoubtedly falsehood leads to evil and evil leads to Hell; a man keeps lying till he is labelled as a great liar by Allāh. (Muslim)

٤٣ - عَنْ حَفْصِ بْنِ عَاصِمٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: كَفَى بِالْمَرْءِ كَذِبًا أَنْ يُحَدِّثَ بِكُلِّ مَا سَمِعَ. رواه مسلم، باب النهي عن الحديث بكل ما سمع، رقم: ٧

43. Ḥaḥṣ ibne-‘Āṣim Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: It is enough for a man to be a liar if he relates everything he hears. (Muslim)

Note: It means to narrate whatever one hears, without checking its truthfulness, is also a degree of falsehood, due to which one loses the trust placed in one by people.

٤٤ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ ﷺ قَالَ: كَفَى بِالْمَرْءِ إِثْمًا أَنْ يُحَدِّثَ بِكُلِّ مَا سَمِعَ. رواه أبو داود، باب التشديد في الكذب، رقم: ٤٩٩٢

44. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: It is enough for a man to be a sinner that he relates whatever he hears. (Abu Dāwūd)

٤٥ - عَنْ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ أَبِي بَكْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: أَتَنَى رَجُلًا عَلَى رَجُلٍ عِنْدَ النَّبِيِّ ﷺ، فَقَالَ: وَبِلَكَ قَطَعْتَ غُنْقَ أَخِيكَ -ثَلَاثًا- مَنْ كَانَ مِنْكُمْ مَادِحًا لَا مَحَالَةَ فَلْيُثَلِّ: أَحْسِبُ فَلَانًا وَاللَّهِ حَسِيْبُهُ، وَلَا أَزْكَى عَلَى اللَّهِ أَحَدًا، إِنْ كَانَ يَعْلَمُ. رواه البخارى، باب ما جاء في قول الرجل ويلك، رقم: ٦١٦٢

45. ‘Abdur Raḥmān ibne-Abi Bakr Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhuma narrates that a person praised another before Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam (and the one being praised was also present). Nabī Ṣallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: Woe unto you! You have cut the neck of your brother (he repeated it thrice); if one of you must praise, and consider it to be essential and despite knowing him to (be good), he should

just say: I think so and so is a good man, Allāh is going to account him (and Allāh alone in reality knows whether he is good or bad). I cannot praise anyone before Allāh with certainty. (Bukhārī)

٤٦ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: كُلُّ أُمَّتِي مُعَافَى إِلَّا الْمُجَاهِرِينَ، وَإِنَّ مِنَ الْمُجَاهِرَةِ أَنْ يَعْمَلَ الرَّجُلُ بِاللَّيْلِ عَمَلًا، ثُمَّ يُصْبِحُ وَقَدْ سَتَرَهُ اللَّهُ فَيَقُولُ: يَا فَلَانُ عَمِلْتُ الْبَارِحَةَ كَذَا وَكَذَا، وَقَدْ بَاتَ يَسْتُرُهُ رَبُّهُ وَيُصْبِحُ يَكْشِفُ سِتْرَ اللَّهِ عَنْهُ. رواه البخاري، باب ستر المؤمن على نفسه، رقم: ٦٠٦٩

46. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates: I heard Rasūlullāh Sallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: All of my followers will be forgiven, except those who sin openly. Sinning openly is that a man commits an evil deed at night; and Allāh keeps it hidden then getting up at dawn he says: O so and so, I committed such and such sin last night. He spent the night in such a way that Allāh veiled his sin, and at dawn he himself lifted the veil which Allāh had put on him. (Bukhārī)

٤٧ - عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ قَالَ: إِذَا قَالَ الرَّجُلُ: هَلَكَ النَّاسُ فَهُوَ أَهْلَكُهُمْ. رواه مسلم، باب النهي عن قول هلك الناس، رقم: ٦٦٨٣

47. Abu Hurairah Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that Rasūlullāh Sallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam said: When a man says: People are ruined; he is the one who has to suffer the most. (Muslim)

٤٨ - عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: تُوَفِّي رَجُلٌ مِنْ أَصْحَابِهِ فَقَالَ يَعْنِي رَجُلًا: أَبْشُرْ بِالْجَنَّةِ، فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: أَوْ لَا تَدْرِي، فَلَعَلَّهُ تَكَلَّمَ فِيمَا لَا يَنْبَغُ لَهُ أَوْ بَخَلَ بِمَا لَا يَنْقُصُهُ. رواه الترمذی وقال: هذا حديث غريب، باب حديث من حسن إسلام المرء، رقم: ٢٣١٦

48. Anas ibn Mālik Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu narrates that a Ṣahābī died, and a man said (addressing the dead): Glad tidings of Paradise to you. Rasūlullāh Sallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam told him: How do you know? Perhaps he spoke something irrelevant or was miserly about something which would cause him no loss. (Tirmidhī)

Note: The meaning of this ḥadīth is that, one should not dare to declare someone to be a man of Paradise; however due to his good deeds, one can be hopeful.

٤٩- عَنْ حَسَّانَ بْنِ عَطِيَّةٍ رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ قَالَ: كَانَ شَدَّادُ بْنُ أَوْسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ فِي سَفَرٍ فَنَزَلَ مَنْزِلًا، فَقَالَ لِغُلَامِهِ: اثْنَا بِالسُّفْرَةِ نَعْبَثُ بِهَا، فَأَنْكَرْتُ عَلَيْهِ، فَقَالَ: مَا تَكَلَّمْتُ بِكَلِمَةٍ مِنْذُ أَسْلَمْتُ إِلَّا وَأَنَا أَخْطِمُهَا وَأَرْمُهَا غَيْرَ كَلِمَتِي هَذِهِ، فَلَا تَحْفَظُوهَا عَلَيَّ وَاحْفَظُوا مِنِّي مَا أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ ﷺ يَقُولُ: إِذَا كَتَرَ النَّاسُ الذَّهَبَ وَالْفِضَّةَ فَكَثُرُوا هَؤُلَاءِ الْكَلِمَاتِ:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الثَّبَاتَ فِي الْأَمْرِ وَالْعَزِيمَةَ عَلَى الرَّشْدِ، وَأَسْأَلُكَ شُكْرَ نِعْمَتِكَ، وَأَسْأَلُكَ حُسْنَ عِبَادَتِكَ، وَأَسْأَلُكَ قَلْبًا سَلِيمًا، وَأَسْأَلُكَ لِسَانًا صَادِقًا، وَأَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ خَيْرِ مَا تَعْلَمُ، وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ شَرِّ مَا تَعْلَمُ، وَأَسْتَغْفِرُكَ لِمَا تَعْلَمُ، إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ عَلَّامُ

الْغُيُوبِ. رواه أحمد ٣٣٨/٢٨

49. Ḥassān ibne-‘Atiyyah Rahimahullāh says: Shaddād ibne-Aws Raḍiyallāhu ‘anhu was on a journey. He camped at a location and said to his slave: Bring the *Sufra* (the cloth spread on the ground for placing food to eat), to have some leisure. (Ḥassān says) It was surprising for me, then he said: Since I became Muslim, I never said any thing without thinking except for these words, so do not remember these words, but remember what I say now: I heard Rasūlullāh Sallallāhu ‘alāihi wasallam saying: When people start collecting treasure of gold and silver, then you make your treasure by these words:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ عَلَّامُ الْغُيُوبِ

O Allāh! I seek guidance, dutifulness and firmness in every work, and the ability to express thankfulness on Your bounties, and the ability to devotedly worship You, and ask You for a clean heart (from idolatry and infidelity), and seek of You a truthful tongue, and beg for all the good in Your knowledge, and ask forgiveness from all sins in Your knowledge, and seek refuge of You from all evil in Your knowledge. Verily You have the knowledge of all the Unseen.

(Musnad Ahmad)

GLOSSARY

Transliteration

Meaning

'Abd عَبْد	a reverential term for the most obedient to Allāh; slave of Allāh; slave.
'Ālim عَالِم	-a man properly educated in Qur'ān hadith and Islāmic jurisprudence from authentic sources.
'Alaih-his-salām عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام	-peace be upon him. A reverential suffix, for all the Prophets and Messengers of Allah.
Aṣḥab-us-Ṣuffāh أَصْحَابُ الصُّفَّة	-some 70 or so destitute <i>Muḥajirīn</i> that used to reside on the raised extension of <i>Masjid-un-Nabawī</i> .
Ansār أَنْصَار	-the helpers. A term used for those who embraced Islām in <i>Al-Madināh</i> in the very beginning, and vigorously lent their services to Islām.
Allāh Subḥānahū wa Ta'ālā اللهُ سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى	-Allah the Exalted.
Dajjāl دَجَّالٌ	-the 'Great Deceiver' who will appear near the end of the world and will claim to be God, and will be killed by 'Isā 'Alaiḥissalām at his second coming.
Fatwa فَتْوَى	-decree concerning Islāmic Law.
Hadūh حَدِيث	-the saying of Prophet Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam through which he has given authoritative declarations on religious questions, moral, ceremonial, or doctrinal.
Halāl حَلَال	-that which is lawful and permitted in Islām.

Harm

حَرَم

-a sanctuary, a sacred territory. Mecca has been considered a *Harm* since the time of *Ibrāhīm* 'Alaihiṣṣalām. All things within the limit of the *Harm* are protected and considered inviolable. *Al-Madinah* was also declared a *Harm* by the Prophet, thus the word *Harmāin Sharafāin*, the two honoured sanctuaries.

Hayā

حَيَا

-the essence of *Hayā* is that, it restrains a man from evil, and prevents a man from neglecting the obligations which he owes to others.

Harām

حَرَام

-that which is unlawful or prohibited in Islām.

Hauz -al-Kauthar

حَوْضُ الْكَوْثَرِ

-literally means 'The Pond of Abundance'. A pond in Paradise which is exclusively assigned to Prophet Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam.

Hudūd

حُدُود

-the limits ordained by Allāh. This includes the punishment for crimes according to the Islāmīc Law.

Jannat-ul-Baqī'

جَنَّةُ الْبَقِيعِ

-the cemetery where a good many of the *Ṣaḥābah* are buried. It is located in the south-east side of *Madinah*.

Jihād

جِهَاد

-literally means to strive in the path and cause of Allāh and Islām.

Khair-ul-Umam

خَيْرُ الْأُمَّةِ

-the best among the communities, or the people of all the Prophets of Allāh; the *Ummah* of Prophet Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam.

Khushū'-wa-Khudū'

خُشُوعٌ وَخُضُوعٌ

-submissive humility entrenched with the fear of Allāh.

Mashwarah

مَشْوَرَةٌ

-consultation; deliberation; conference; counsel; advice; suggestion.

Mi'rāj

مِعْرَاج

-literally means 'An Ascent'. Muhammad's (Ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wasallam) journey to heaven; called also *Isra*, 'the nocturnal journey'. It is narrated to have taken place in the twelfth year of the Prophet's Mission, in the month of *Rabī'ul Awwal*.

Muhājir

مُهَاجِر

-from the word *Hijrah* or migration. One who had performed *Hijrah* either by (1) leaving *Makkah* with Prophet Muḥammad Ṣallallāhu ‘alaihi wasallam, or (2) leaving a country ruled by an infidel power, or (3) by fleeing from what Allāh has forbidden.

Rabb

رَبّ

Sustainer, Cherisher.

Raḍiyallāhu

‘anha

رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا

- Allāh is pleased with her.

Raḍiyallāhu

‘anhum

رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ

- Allāh is pleased with them.

Raḍiyallāhu

‘anhuma

رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا

- Allāh is pleased with them both.

Raḍiyallāhu

‘anhu

رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ

- Allāh is pleased with him.

Raḥimahullāh

رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ

-May Allāh bless him with His mercy.

Ṣallallāhu

‘alaihi wasallam

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

-peace and blessings of Allāh be upon him (Muḥammad).

Ṣadaqah

صَدَقَةٌ

-a term used in the Qur’ān for Almsgiving. Charity.

Taqwā

تَقْوَى

-fear of Allāh; Allāh consciousness; piety and self-restraint.

Tartīl

تَرْتِيل

-measured recitation of the Qur’ān, with close emphasis to its inflection rules.

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